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Date of Sailing. Saturday	STEAMERS.	TONS.	CONNECTING AT ADEN WITH	TONS
2-39 P.M. 1907.				
19th Oct.	ORIENTAL	5284	VICTORIA	6522
26th „	PERSIA	7951		
2nd Nov†	MACEDONIA	10312	BRITANNIA	6525
9th „	OCEANA	6610		
16th „	PENINSULAR	5294	MOOLTAN	9621
23rd „	EGYPT	7912		
30th „	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
7th Dec.	MARMORA	10609		
14th „	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
21st „	ARABIA	7903		
28th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	9506
1908.				
4th Jan.	PERSIA	7951		
11th „	ORIENTAL	5284	INDIA	7911
18th „	OCEANA	6610		
25th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MONGOLIA	9505
1st Feb.	EGYPT	7912		
8th „	CALEDONIA	7558	VICTORIA	6522
15th „	ORIENTAL	5284		
22nd „	MACEDONIA	10312		
29th „	ARCADIA	6908		
7th Mar.	CALEDONIA	7548	BRITANNIA	6525
14th „	ARABIA	7903		
21st „	CALEDONIA	7558	MOOLTAN	9621
28th „	PERSIA	7951		
4th Apr.	MARMORA	10609		
11th „	EGYPT	7912		
18th „	CALEDONIA	7558	MOLDAVIA	9506
25th „	MACEDONIA	10312		
2nd May	ORIENTAL	5284	HIMALAYA	6898
9th „	CALEDONIA	7558		
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25	24 2	52 5	39 4	33 0	64 13	48 0	38 7	25
30	27 4	56 13	42 13	36 0	65 10	49 0	39 11	30
35	31 5	62 4	47 1	39 12	66 13	50 8	41 10	35
40	36 11	68 13	52 5	44 9	68 11	52 14	44 10	40
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NOTICE.

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This order is made under sub-section (4) of Section 23 of Bombay Act IV. of 1902, with the sanction of Government.

H. G. GELL,
Commissioner of Police.

BOMBAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1907.

NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC are informed that on the occasion of the ARRIVAL of SIR GEORGE SYDENHAM CLARKE, G. C. M. G., on the 18th instant, all Carriages should approach the Apollo Bandar by the Road passing in front of the Sailors' Home, up to 7-30 A. M., and after that time NO Carriages will be allowed on this Road.

After 7-30 A. M., Carriages will be allowed to proceed along Lansdowne Road from the Wellington Fountain, until stopped by the Police.

Ticket-holders to the Mandap (erected at the Apollo Bandar) are requested to be in their places by 7-35 A. M., punctually.

Owners of nervous horses are requested to send their carriages to a safe distance from the Saluting Battery.

The following Roads will be CLOSED for heavy traffic at the hours noted below, till the cortage has passed:—

Esplanade, Hornby, and Cruikshank Roads, from 7 A. M.

Kalbadevi, Bhendy Bazaar and Parel Roads, from 7-30 A. M.

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H. G. GELL,
Commissioner of Police.

HEAD POLICE OFFICE,
BOMBAY, 16TH OCTOBER, 1907.

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NOTICE.

COMMENCING from TUESDAY, October 29th, the B. B. & C. I. Railway Company will RUN a TRAIN DE LUXE, every fortnight, until February 4th, to the following programme:—

TUESDAY.—Depart Bombay at 10-30 p. m. by special train.

WEDNESDAY.—Arrive Anand early morning, (Chota Hazri. Arrive Ahmedabad at 8-30 a. m., Breafast at 9; Lunch at 2; and dinner at 8 p. m. Meals to be served in the Refreshment Room at Ahmedabad Station. Depart 10 p. m.

THURSDAY.—Arrive at Abu Road early in the morning. Drive in Tongas to Mount Abu, stay one night in Rajputana Hotel and return to Abu Road station for dinner on Friday.

FRIDAY.—Depart Abu Road at 10 p. m.

SATURDAY.—Arrive Ajmer at 7-45 a. m. and spend a day there. Depart at 9-30 p. m.

SUNDAY.—Arrive Udaipur at 7 a. m. and spend a day there. Depart at 10 p. m.

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TUESDAY.—In Jaipur, visiting Amber.

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THURSDAY.—In Delhi.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-SECOND Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the INDIAN COTTON COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Nos. 7 and 9, Church Gate Street, on Thursday the 17th October, 1907, at 3-30 p.m. (Standard Time), to transact the following business:—

1. To receive the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts of the Company up to 30th June, 1907.
2. To declare a Dividend.
3. To elect a Director in the room of the Director who retires by rotation, but who is eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.
5. To transact any other business which the Chairman may bring before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from 10th to 24th October, 1907, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors,
GADDUM & Co.,
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BOMBAY, 4TH OCTOBER, 1907.

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NOTICE is hereby given that THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the New Berar Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Nos. 7 and 9, Church Gate Street, on THURSDAY, the 17th October, 1907, at 4 p.m. (S. T.), to transact the following business:—

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LAHORE, DATED 8TH OCTOBER, 1907.

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TENDERS are invited and will be received up to MONDAY the 18th November, 1907, for the SUPPLY of the following STORES required for 12 months, commencing from 1st January, 1908:—

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5. Tenders should be addressed to the Agent, S. M. Railway, at Dharwar, in sealed covers superscribed:

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THE Clan Line steamer Clan Murray 3,121 tons Captain H Dale arrived in harbour on Tuesday evening, from Glasgow, with a general cargo.

THE steamer Coniscliffe 2,511 tons, Captain J C Pottinger, will sail to-day for Hull and Dunkirk with a general cargo.

THE City Line steamer City of York, 4,935 tons, Captain G Wish arrived in harbour yesterday from Liverpool with a general cargo, 2 horses and 10 dogs, and passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Nerbudda, 1,960 tons, Captain M G Williams, which arrived in harbour on Tuesday evening from the Persian Gulf, &c brought a general cargo and 1 cabin and 154 deck passengers.

THE Anchor Line steamer Britannia, 1,969 tons, Captain R J Garrick sailed yesterday for Marseilles with a general cargo and Major H L Showers and 61 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Dumra 762 tons, Captain J T Hirst, will sail to-day for Persian Gulf via Karachi &c with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mrs C M Baker, and child, Lt and Mrs Blewitt, Mrs A S Buckle, Lt R Campbell, Capt and Mrs Gohgh and 2 children, Mrs Hennessy and infant, Major Johnston, Miss Murray, Capt Nicolas, Mr Norman, Miss Baird, Major Drew, Mr and Mrs Kellner, Mrs O'Keefe, Lt Palmer, Mr P Rennecon, Mrs R Duncan and 2 children, Mr Mrs and Miss Cary and 2 children, and 175 deck.

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VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—October 16.

Baroonadrosen ..2774 Kennedy.....K Nixon & Co
Capri .....2784 Belsito .....P & R S N Co
Dunbar .....2410 Lee .....
Falls of Monzie....3157 Hay .....Shaw Wallace & Co
Firoozi .....2005 Watson.....B & P S N Co
Ipswich .....513 Wallace.....Shah S N Co
John Harlin .....2436 McMillen .....F Muir & Co
Kyleakin .....1976 Lennox.....K Nixon & Co
Nawab .....2741 Elliott.....T Morrison & Co
Nerbudda .....1960 Williams.....M M & Co
Onda .....3402 Gerland .....M M & Co
Peninsular .....2919 Palmer .....P & O Co
Shahnoor .....2762 Foster .....E Tajbhoy
Shahibehan .....3566 Davison .....E Tajbhoy
Shah Najam .....2751 Davison .....E Tajbhoy
Shah Ameer .....1922 Pilling .....E Tajbhoy
Shah Noair .....2 25 Grant.....Shah N S Co
Shah Allum .....1917 Davison .....E Tajbhoy
Sofala .....3436 Shepherd.....M M & Co
Vauxhall.....2343 Bradbering.....The Captain
Yellore.....3186 Pathe.....T Morrison & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK—October 16.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agents.
D & E	Majidi	1857	Coates	Mauritius	18-10	B & P S & Co
F	Clan Murray	3121	Dall	Chittagong	26-10	F Muir & Co
H	President	2087	Tipp	P & O Dry Dock	17-10	A Strandes
K	Alerto	2241	Hick	Hull via Kobe	16-10	P & O Co
M	Shah Nawaz	2323	Babloin	Jedda	24-10	The Shah S N Co
N	Umvolasi	1976	Keen	Middlesborough	23-10	R A Willes
O	Puri	643	Ahmed	N P		Bo S N Co
Q	Monsoori	1735	Heims	Jeddah	18-10	B & P S N Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1	Chyebassa	3901	Stevenson	Antwerp 24-10 M & M Co
4	Ischia	2784	Dini	Shanghai 17-10 F & R S N Co
7	Malta	3899	Peters	Shanghai 29-10 P & O Co
7	Nassri	912	Lemiere	Bunder 29-10 B & P S N Co
9	Widenfels	3503	Reising	Kobe 22-10 Glade & Co
12	Persia	4158	Haughton	London 26-11 P & O Co
35	Yeboshi Maru	4098	Kou	Kobe 17-10 N Y K isha

H W P D

Mahanadi	547	Ahmed	Mangalore	18-10 B S N Co
Punasi	592	Esmail	Bungar	19-10 B S N Co

ARRIVALS.

Oct.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
15	Clan Murray s.....	Dale.....	Glasgow, Sept
16	Dunbar s	Lee.....	Colombo, Oct 6
	Firoozi s	Watson	Jedah, Oct 4
16	City of York s.....	Wish	Liverpool, Sept 24

DEPARTURES.

Oct.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
16	Clan Farquhar s....	Wadge	Chittagong
	Noorul Bhar s.....	Nacoda	Muscat
	Surprise s.....	(French Gun-boat) Mercier	Karachi
	Aleeto s	Hick	Hull
	Britannia s	Garrick	Marseilles, &c

The following vessels obtained their portclearances yesterday:—
Steamer Dumra, Hirst for Persian Gulf, &c.
" Coniscliffe, Pottingers for Hull, &c.

The following vessels began to load yesterday:—
Steamer Wildenfels for Hamburg, &c.
" Nerbudda for Persian Gulf, &c.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Oct.	Vessel.	From
8	Batten' all	Calcutta
10	Ivydene	Calcutta
10	Clan Alpine	Liverpool
10	Neidenfels	Antwerp
13	Canara	London
14	Palamcotta	Negapatam

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

18	Loodiana	Calcutta
15	Pentakota	Rangoon
15	Nurani	Calcutta
15	Clan Ronald	Coast
16	City of Corinth	London
20	Unifali	Calcutta
20	Totoni Maru	Penang

The dates are approximate only.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS.

The following is the list of Messages remaining undelivered in the Central Telegraph Office, Bombay:—

From Kankavli, to Mahadeo, Atamaram Savarit Bungalow Compound; from Larkana, to J H Fernandes Bishop's town, Cavel; From Sangameshwar, to Baja Govind Joglya, Philangyas Temple near Bhuleshwar; From Shirawa, Sewamukhray Lachhiram; from Kamshet, to Suchday Manji; from Mainpuri, to Mathuradas Motiladas; from Mudhol, to Gurrhidapa Mugeppal; from Udamalpet, to Sulamanabba; from Kamat, to Thakardas Nathubhai fort cotton merchant from Nagpura, to Domingos Aarade Green hotel; from Dharwar, to Mysore Bombay; from Igatpuri, L E Rowlands from Aden, to Grehame Bombay; from Nanded, to Mundkur Amritrao Bhamadi; from Bombay, to Madongopal care of Humermul Jugmohandas; from Kamand (P. D.) Mutchand Chiranji-lall 109th Infantry Marine Lines; from Kimari, to Allahabad; from Alahabad, to Mrs Ginivah.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, *October* 15.] [BOMBAY, *October* 16.

FINANCIAL.

		Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
2½ per cent. Consols	...	82 9/16		1/16
3 do. Rentes	...	94	un	chgd
3½ do. Sterling Loan	...	99 1/2	un	chgd
3½ do. Govt. Securities	...	64 9/16	un	chgd
*Bar Silver in London	...	28 1/4	3/8	
Do. do. 2 months' hence		28 1/2	7/16	
Do. in New York	...	61 1/4	7/8	
Exchange on London at Paris	...	25·12 1/2	1/2	
Do. do. do. Berlin.		20·48		1/8
Do. do. do. New York.		4·83 1/4		1/8
Discount Bank of England Rate.		4 1/2	since	15 Aug
Do. Short London Bills, 3 months' sight		4 1/8	un	chgd
Do. Indian Bank Bills, 6 months' s'ght		4 3/8	un	chgd
Do. 3 Months' Fine Trade Bills	...	4 5/8	un	chgd
Do. 6 Months' Fine Trade Bills	...	4 7/8	un	chgd
Interest Day-to-day Loans	...	2 1/4		1/8
Do. 7-day Market Loans		2 7/8	un	chgd

Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate) ... ... 1s. 3 1/16d.
Closing tone of Silver—Quiet.

COTTON.

Liverpool—

Spots	..	...	...	...	Fair business
Futures		...	...	...	...Easier.
East Indian		...	...	...	...Quiet.
Manchester		...	...	...	...Steady.
Total Sales...		...	...	...	... 8,000 bales
Sold on Speculation and for Export					...500 "
Imports	...	...	...	...	10,000 "
Mid-Americans	...	...	...	...	...6·60+03
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown				...	...10 unchgd.

Future Delivery Prices—

Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.
6·03	5·93	5·93	5 91
—02	—02	—03	—02
Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May.	May-June	June-July
5·90	5·90	5·89	5·89	5·88
—03	—03	—03	—03	—04

New York—

Receipts at U. S. Ports	...	61,000 bales.
Do. do. last year	...	88,000 "
Exports to Great Britain	...	21,000 "
Do. to Continent	...	13,000 "
Spot Cotton—11·55—25		
Futures—Month of Dec. 11·00—20		Declined owing to disappointing attitude of spinners and to increasing stocks.
Do. do. of Mar. 10·84—23		

New Orleans:—
Spot Cotton.—11 3/8 unchanged.
Futures—Month of December ... 10·78—29
Do. do. January ... 10 78—30
Closing Tone of Futures.—Dull.

WHEAT.

White Karachi choice, cif—43 Oct.-Nov.—London—Done—Canal.
Red Karachi F A Q, cif—42 3/4 Oct.-Nov.—London—Done—Canal
Tone of Wheat—Quiet.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Coffee—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality), 6½ unchgd.

Rubber—
Para Rubber 4s. 2d. Buyers.

Metals:—

Copper Braziers	...	...	£77
Yellow Metal	...	...	4 7 1/3

Tin plates—
I. C. Coke 14×20,112 sheets per box weighing 90lbs, Liverpool. £ 0 13 7 1/2

Bar Iron:—
Belgian Ordinary Sizes F. O. B., Antwerp £ 5 10 0
Iron Corrugated Sheets 24 gauge G. O. B. 4 7 F. O. B. Liverpool £ 13 2 6
Basic Steel Bars C. I. F. India..... £ 6 0 0

Freight—
Coals Cardiff to Bombay Oural. Nominal.

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Vessel.	Importer.
2 Boxe sovereigns	Rs. 5460	Aden	Persia	C. Khushal.
gold coins.	20,364			
3 Parcels silver.	142	London	Peninsular	Hongkong Bank.
1 Parcel silver.	4	London	Arabia	Yokohama Bank

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ended at 6 p. m. yesterday:—

Cotton	... ...	1,030 bales
Wheat	... ...	2,274 cwts
Linseed	... ...	4,432 "
Rapeseed	... ...	937 "
Gingellyseed	... ...	2,302 "
Poppyseed	... ...	135 "
Groundnuts	... ...	312 "
Castorseed	... ...	10,927 "
Rice	... ...	2,182 "
Myrabolams	... ...	1,514 "
Cottonseed	... ...	54 "
Mowraseed	... ...	1,178 "
Gram	... ...	113 "
Joowar	... ...	9,895 "
Maize	... ...	24 "

All markets closed for Dussera Holiday.

Quotations Received by Wire.

MADRAS, OCTOBER 16.

The following are the London quotations received by special cablegram through Messrs. Scott and Tod, to-day:—

Mines.	Share.	Paid up.	Buyers.	Sellers.
Anantapur Gold	£1	10s.	£1 2 0	£1 5 0
Balaghat (Ord)	£1	£1	£0 9 6	£0 10 0
Balaghat (Pref)	£1	£1	£0 16 3	£0 18 9
Champion Reefs	2s. 6d.	2s. 6d.	£0 6 3	£0 7 6
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DEATH.

CAMILLO COLONELLO—October 13, at Genoa, Italy, aged 66 years.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

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MEERZA—October 8, at 35 Theatre Road, Calcutta, the wife of S. Mohiuddin Meerza, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

BROWN—BIRD—October 12, at St. Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, by the Rev. H. B. Cogan, Herbert Pearce Brown, of Tara Tea Estate, Doom Dooma, Assam, to Hilda Bird, of Reading, Berks.
JEWELL—WATSON—October 12, at St. John's Church, Calcutta, by the Rev. Canon T. E. F. Cole, L.L.B. Offg., Archdeacon of Calcutta and Senior Chaplain of St. John's, Amle, second daughter of Mr. W. R. C. Jewell, Dy. Traffic Manager, Port Commissioners, Calcutta, to Mr. Robert James Watson, Controller of Office Systems, Government of Bengal.
SYKES—TOOGOOD—October 10, at All Saint's Church, Shillong, Oliver John Sykes, Indian Finance Department to Dulcie Oliver, daughter of F. H. Toogood, Esq., late Superintending Engineer, Public Works Department.

DEATHS.

FARLEY—October 10, at the Presidency General Hospital, Calcutta, Herbert Allen Farley, late of the Takvar (Darjeeling) and Hope (Dooars) Tea Estates, aged 42 years.
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TO-DAY.

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Arrival of H.E. the Acting Governor from Mahableshwar, Victoria Terminus, (private), 6-15 a.m.
Bombay Gymkhana Mounted Sports.
Indian Cotton Company, 7 Church Gate Street, 3-30 p.m.
New Berar Company, 7 Church Gate Street, 4 p.m.
Bombay Steam Navigation Company, Apollo Street, 4 p.m.
Swadeshi Hosiery and Manufacturing Company, 2 Hummum Street, 5-30 p.m.
Indian Railways Feeder Lines Company, Telephone Buildings, 5-30 p.m.
The Corporation President "At Home" to meet H. E. the Acting Governor, Corporation Hall, 4-30 to 6 p.m.
Excelsior Cinematograph, Esplande.
Lantern Lecture on "Pottery making" by Rev. J. H. Robinson, M. A., Principal, Money School, in V. M. C. A. Building, Wodehouse Road, 9-15 p.m.

PHASES OF THE MOON.—Oct. 21st, Full Moon, 2h. 44·5m. p. m.; Oct., 29th, Last Quarter, 7h 21·5m.p.m. Oct., 14th, in Perigee, 78h. p. m.; Oct., 28th, in Apogee, 2-7h. p. m.

THE WEEK'S CALENDAR.

Friday, October 18.—Arrival of Sir George Sydenham Clarke, Governor-Designate, Apollo Bunder, 7-55 a.m. P. and O. steamer "Oriental," with English mails of 4th inst., due to arrive at 7. a.m. Dinner at Government House, Malabar Point. Sun rises, 6h. 33m.; Sun sets, 6h. 15m.; High water, 9 59m., 9·33a.; Low water, 2-37m., 3-30a.
Saturday, October 19.—Bombay Gymkhana Mounted Sports. Sun rises, 6h. 34m. Sun sets, 6h. 14m. High water, 9·54m., 10·22a.; Low water, 3·32m. 4·8a.
Sunday, October 20.—21st Sunday after Trinity. Sun rises, 6h. 34m.; Sun sets, 6h. 14m.; High water, 10·34m., 11·5a.; Low water, 4-17m., 4-42a.
Monday, October 21.—New Pachora Manufacturing Company, 1 Bruce Lane, 4-30 p. m. Jaignon Manufacturing Company, 1 Bruce Lane, 5-9 p.m. Hyderabad Spinning and Weaving Company, 3 Tamarind Lane, 4 p. m. Bombay Sanitary Association: lecture on Phthisis by Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, Framji Hall, 5-45 p. m. Bombay High Court vacation. Sun rises, 6h. 34m. Sun sets, 6h. 13m. High water, 11-17m., 11-41a. Low water, 4-56m., 6-14a.
Tuesday, October 22.—Sun rises, 6h. 35m.; Sun sets, 6h. 12m.; High water, 11-46 m. Low water, 5-32m., 5-45a.

SOCIETY OF OUR LADY OF PIETY, DABUL.—This Society celebrates the annual feast of its august Patroness on Sunday the 20th instant, in the Church of St. Francis Xavier, Dabul, with solemn High Mass Sermon, Exposition, Procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, at 5-30 a. m. (S. T.) His Grace the Archbishop-Bishop of Damaun will preside. A general Meeting will then be held as usual in the old Building of the Church, after which a dinner will be served to the poor in the Society's Asylum at 75, Cavel.

MUSIC AT GREEN'S.—The following programme of Music will be played at Green's Garden to-day:—

7 to 9 p. m.

March	The Last Stand ..... Myddleton
Overture	The White Queen ..... Meira
Valse	Wiener Blut ..... Strauss
Selection	The Cingalee ..... Monckton
Intermezzo	Im Walde ..... Richter
American Sketch	Down South ..... Myddleton
Valse	Valencia ..... Moore
Cake Walk	At a Georgia Camp Meeting ..... Mills

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Overture	Masaniello ..... Auber
Serenade	The Warblers ..... Perry
Selection	The Gondoliers ..... Sullivan
Valse	Wiener Frauen ..... P Lehar
Selection	The Spring Chicken ..... Caryll
American Sketch	Down South ..... Myddleton
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CHAPTER XIII.—(Continued.)

The door closed behind Lady Sabina with a snap, but Ruth hardly noticed the sound of it. She was holding Roger's letter in her hand, staring down at the well-known handwriting, wondering why he had written to her. She had thought that he might do so: perhaps she had almost hoped he would, and yet why should he write—so she argued, for had they not bidden each other good-bye for ever, and what more was there to be said between them? No doubt he thought her mercenary and worldly; she knew that she must have given him that impression, but how could she have revealed to him the true reason or her fight? He would never know what she had suffered; he would not guess how deeply she had grown to love him, how dearly, in spite of all, she loved him still. Her cheeks flamed as she acknowledged this to herself; she loved him still and would always love him, although she had convinced herself of his unworthiness.

And now he had written to her. What would she find within this envelope? Would it be an appeal to her? She doubted this, for Roger was not the sort of man to lower his pride. Perhaps she would find a mere word of farewell; had he not said that he must leave England and carve out his fortune in another country?

She glanced through the open window. It had been raining and the heavy foliaged trees that surrounded the house, practically shutting it off from observation, were dripping with moisture. It was not a cheerful prospect, and she shuddered a little, remembering how she had stared out of the window of her room at Beverly Lodge for the trees had grown close to the window there too, and there was something in the aspect of this garden that reminded her of the other. Her lips trembled; she could almost conjure up afresh the face of Joey thrust close against the pane, that hallucination of her troubled spirit; yes, certainly, if she tried she could see it now. But she must not allow herself to give way to these morbid fancies. Why should she think of Joey when she held the letter from Roger in her hand—a letter which she had not yet ventured to read? Why did she hesitate to open it?

Suddenly she remembered what Lady Sabina had said before she left the room. Strange events had happened at Beverly Lodge—what strange events? Her trepidation increased. Could it be that Roger was menaced by any fresh danger? Was she concerned in whatever had happened? With fluttering fingers she tore open the flap of the envelope and drew out the paper that it contained.

I am impelled to write to you, Ruth (so the letter began) to express my deep, my heartfelt gratitude that you should have escaped from a great danger that would have threatened you had you remained for another day under my roof. It seemed terrible that morning that you should go, that we should part with hardly a word, but I believe now that some good spirit must have guided your actions. It did not seem so to me at the time, but now—oh, I tremble to think what might have happened had you slept another night in your room at Beverly Lodge!

Ruth dropped her hands and for a moment stared vacantly at the window. What did it all mean? A terrible danger that had threatened her, a blow that might have fallen had she spent another night in that room. Once more in her imagination she could see the vague outline of Joey's face, magnified and hideous as it was, pressed against the glass. Had this been no dream after all?

Things are bad enough even now, (Ruth turned once more to the reading of her letter) but nothing—nothing to what they might have been. But perhaps you have already seen the papers—no doubt you have—and so know what has happened. Or your father is sure to have told you. This being so I need not go into details and you will understand the reason of my writing is to give you warning that you have an enemy, someone that wants to hurt you. God knows why anyone should want to hurt you, my Ruth, but so it is an unfortunately the fellow is at large.

What I am going to tell you now, the extraordinary thing that has just come to my knowledge, has not been mentioned anywhere, so you cannot have heard of it. It was only this evening that Miss Ellicott recovered sufficiently to speak, and it is in consequence of what she has said that I feel myself forced to write to you, though I never expected to pen your name again.

The written words seemed to dance before Ruth's eyes. She read on and then realising that she had not fully appreciated what she had read was constrained to begin all over again. It was evident that something terrible had happened at Roger Enderby's House, something which he concluded she must have heard of and did not therefore write of in detail. But she had seen no papers since her return to London nor had her father received any news from Beverly Lodge before she had left her home. She had to lift the letter very close to her eyes, for the handwriting seemed strangely blurred—or was it that her own eyes were dim?

You will have heard how the house was broken into on the night following your departure. An entry was made by way of the window of the room which you occupied. You will remember that the wall on that side is creeper-covered, and there is a portico just to the right of your window—all of which made an ascent a matter of no difficulty. Well, as misfortune would have it Miss Ellicott, whom of course you will recall as staying with me had elected to move down from her own room, a small one at the top of the house, to yours. She woke up in the middle of the night to find a man, or rather a boy, for the says he was little more, standing over her a knife in his hand. It was dark in the room, so she could no distinguish him plainly, nor had she time for thought hardly time indeed to cry out before he struck at her with the knife. She thinks that he must have fancied her asleep and deliberately intended to kill. But luckily for her she moved and threw up her arms so that the blow intended for her heart miscarried and though she received a bad wound in the shoulder she was not struck in any vital part. She screamed and swooned. Help came at once but as the door was thrown open the fellow made good his escape by the way he had come. Since then the police have scoured the neighbourhood but up to the present without any success whatever.

Of course since Miss Ellicott was two ill to be questioned the natural conclusion was that a burglary had been contemplated and that the thief frightened by the awakening of Miss Ellicott and fearing that she might alarm the house had stabbed her in order to insure her the police held this view too and no doubt will continue to hold it in spite of what Miss Ellicott says. She relate that after the knife had fallen the man flashed light from a lantern he carried into her face and that as she swooned away she can remember him muttering a vile oath followed by words which sounded like: "It ain't'er after all."

That is the story, Ruth. And now what can be the meaning of those words which Miss Ellicott is perfectly positive she overheard? They can only mean that this fellow, whoever he may be, meant to kill, and that he had stabbed Miss Ellicott by mistake for someone else. And whom could this be but you, who had occupied the room the night before and who had left Beverly Lodge so unexpectedly? I can't understand it, I can't attempt to understand it. But I feel that I must let you know at once that there is a danger hanging over you and to beg, to entreat you to be on your guard. I would have given worlds if the fellow had been caught, for then I should not have this haunting fear that you are menaced, and that I can do nothing, nothing to help you.

Oh Ruth, what more can I say? I have no right to claim your confidence, I cannot guard or defend you in any way. I feel myself powerless; there is nothing more even that I can write. I have said my say, I have given my warning, and now I should drop my pen; but, dear, even though we are nothing to each other—nothing but just friends, can I not help you as a friend? If so write to me. You may trust me utterly and absolutely. I am coming to London in a few days' time—you know the address that will always find me. I do not expect that my stay in London will be a long one, though there is much that I have to settle before I can think of setting out for pastures new. I have yet to decide what these pastures shall be; but I have already written to a friend of mine who is settled in Florida, and I rather think that I may join him there. Perhaps, after all, it was for the best that these financial misfortunes should have come upon me, for I feel that they will awaken the man in me and show me the folly of the unless extravagant life that has been mine up to now. I believe I always wanted to work and only needed the impetus which is now being given to me. I regret nothing, save that I did not come to this decision years ago, for had I been a different sort of man, Ruth, no doubt, I should have felt myself worthy of you, and you would have had no cause to scorn me, as I feel that, with all justice on your side, you do.

And now it is growing late, and I must not delay posting this letter, for who can say what dangers may surround you? And once more, I beg, I pray you to be careful, and if you are conscious of any source from which peril may arise place yourself at once in the hands of those who may help you. Believe me that I should not write this unless I were convinced that the warning is necessary.

The letter ended almost formally, but Ruth, looking closely at the page, fancied that the hand of the writer must have shaken as he penned his signature. For the moment her thoughts were utterly with him and the consciousness of her own danger from the hand of a mysterious assassin was put aside. Roger would not have written had he not felt himself bound to do so. This was no lover's plea—this letter which she had scanned. Even reading between the lines she could decipher no suggestion of a return to the old relation. He had accepted the position and regarded his dismissal as absolute. In a little while he would go away, he would put all the width of the world between them, and perhaps he would forget.

It seemed cruel for him to beg her to come to him as a friend. Could she ever look upon him in such a light? It were better far that she should never see him again—that the man himself should pass out of her life, leaving her a memory to cherish.

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Well, dear, have you read your letter?" Ruth had not heard the door open nor noticed the tall figures of Lady Sabina as she re-entered the room. Now the girl hastily and almost guiltily folded up the letter and returned it to its envelope; then she tur

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THE HISTORIAN AND PLAGUE.

DANIEL DEFOE was a child when the plague raged in London, not big enough to scrub the floor in his father's butcher's shop, but his diary of the Plague Year is accepted as an authority. Mr. G. W. Forrest had left India before plague became epidemic. We doubt if he saw even a single case. Yet, we suppose, he will be, by people at Home, regarded as one well-acquainted with the pestilence, and his utterances concerning it as valuable first-hand evidence. Mr. Forrest is an historian of repute and invariably gives chapter and verse for what he says. But the opening sentence of his "Plague in India" in the current number of *Blackwood* is almost stupid enough to condemn the whole screed. "A very great plague has smitten extensive and populous provinces of our Indian Empire, and we are once more reminded of the liability of that vast continent to recurrence of some of the greatest of all the calamities which visit and waylay the life of man," "Has smitten," "once more reminded," exclaims the third standard schoolboy : "then it is something new ; Mr. Forrest has just discovered it ; why, I thought it was as old as the hills!" Here we have been stricken, or smitten, for the last thirteen years, struggling along, our friends of this morning carried to the burning ghaut to-night, and this historian tells us that plague has broken out—which, after all these years, reminds him of another story. By what prolonged process has his brain at last been reached? But he has made another discovery : "The time has come when a campaign against plague must be prepared and rules and regulations drawn up for the guidance of executive and medical officers to whom must be entrusted the carrying out of those preventive measures which must be promptly taken to save the lives of millions of our fellow-citizens. The prevention of plague in our great Eastern dependency is a question of vital importance, not only to India but to Europe." The Anglo-Indian Rip van Winkle has been asleep in the record rooms of the India Office and now it dawns upon him that the time has come to prepare a plan of campaign. Prepare, after thirteen years! We had a plan a dozen years ago : several plans, and applied and tried them all. "We do not object to die ; but let us die in God's way and in our own homes," said the afflicted, whom we sought to succour. And they will say the same to-day. A campaign free of coercive methods is still being carried on—inoculation, segregation, rat destruction. For twelve years unceasing efforts to combat plague have been made, and we are now told the time has come when a campaign must be prepared.

We wander through columns of extracts from a miscellaneous crowd of writers on plague in London and plague in Europe, which come when we expected to find, at least, a suggestion as to the general idea of the proposed campaign. We get none anywhere. Vague reference is made to the "further measures now being prepared by the Viceroy," which Mr. Forrest hopes may be crowned with merciful success. And then in his last half dozen lines he writes : "In carrying out a vigorous policy the Government will also have the cordial support of the British nation. The suppression of the plague in India and the mitigation of the sufferings of our fellow-subjects is a matter which concerns our public interest and our national reputation." The cordial support of the British nation will cure much disease! There is an abundance of platitude in the article and a good deal of abridged history, in addition to a gratuitous eulogy of Professor Haffkine. But when Mr. Forrest aims at originality he is at his worst. Here is an example : "Defoe was essentially a journalist, and wrote for the day and for the greatest interest of the greatest number of the day." Light dawns upon the writer a couple of pages later and he remembers that "Defoe was a mere child when the plague happened and could have no personal knowledge of the matters he has recorded. But he collected facts, and genius gave them life." Precisely, and Mr. Forrest has collected facts, but genius gives them no life and no value except such as an ephemeral student of Indian history might like to read to get some idea of the plague, say a hundred years hence, when those of us who have lived among it and escaped it to die of liver shall have been incinerated as the island has refused us sufficient space for the interment of our bones. He does give an interesting essay on plague—one which would have done credit to a local undergraduate, and we must not deny his claim to having made at least one suggestion as to how we may get rid of rats in such a way as may perhaps prove inoffensive to some of our fellow-townsmen who are anxious to protect the lives of the noxious rodents. He writes : "Snakes are destroyers of rats, and in Asia Minor and elsewhere (a comprehensive term), harmless snakes were kept in houses and temples, no doubt for that purpose as well as, objects of worship." No doubt. That is Mr. Forrest's own sovereign remedy. We must keep snakes.

It may have been that the snake our contemporary found in its printing-works the other day was providentially sent and, might have illustrated the practicability of Mr. Forrest's idea. We do not know. But a foreman of our own, who once reported having some snakes in the works, was permitted to resign without the usual notice, and from that day nothing even remotely resembling a reptile has been observed within a hundred yards of the premises. In some places they are not so strict. But we tremble to think what might result from the wholesale introduction of "harmless" snakes into private houses when the supply of rats and mice, plain and coloured, had been exhausted. But Mr. Forrest wants not only rats, but also dogs, fowls and pigs annihilated. Harmless snakes will not undertake so much. But the historian tells us, on the authority of John Philip Ingrassias of Palermo, physician, that when his town was attacked by plague in 1537, "an excellent measure was proposed and carried out. All dogs, cats and other animals that might convey the plague from one house to another were to be destroyed." During the plague in London it was ordered that "no hogs, dogs, pigeons or conies shall be suffered to be kept within any part of the city." So we suppose, if the campaign Mr. Forrest dreams of be planned and undertaken, we may expect to see cured hams and tinned bacon follow pigs and hogs and crows assailed in the second act. We are glad Mr. Forrest has seen fit to write something, on the authority of others, in praise of inoculation—with serum manufactured by the method in vogue since the Mulkowal disaster, he might have added. It is all very well to put the blame of that lamentable incident on a medical subordinate, but the story is too recent to permit of our forgetting that proved methods had been temporarily abandoned when the serum used in Mulkowal was manufactured, and that they were reverted to directly afterwards, never again having been forsaken. Still, whatever the plan of campaign, if a new campaign be started, it will follow the old lines, the lines the present campaign has followed : inoculation, segregation and the improvement of urban and rural sanitation. None other will be regarded as acceptable or effectual.

THE MAHOMEDAN SEASON OF LENT.

THE present is the Mahomedan month of Ramzan which is well-known all over the Islamite world for the very strict fast which is kept during it by all true followers of Islam. The word Ramzan is usually derived from the Arabic root ramz meaning 'to burn,' because in Mahomed's time, when he changed the old intercalary solar year, in vogue among the Arabs, into the lunar year, this month, which is the ninth of the year, fell in mid-summer which in Arabia was really the 'burning' season of great heat. Some derive it from the supposition that the fast kept during this month 'burns away' the sins of men who religiously observe the fast. The Mahomedan year being lunar, its months change every year and by turns fall in every season. This year the month of Ramzan really reminds us of its derivation, for truly it is a burning month, the season being exceedingly hot just now, and a fast during such a month ought to be really a meritorious work, 'burning-away' many a sin of poor frail humanity. Mahomed enjoined the fast to be strictly kept by every one among his followers except the sick, the infirm, and pregnant women, or women who are nursing their children. Persons who have not attained to puberty are exempt. Travellers on a journey of more than three days' duration need not keep the fast : but they should observe it as soon as their travels are over. Also sick persons should keep this fast as soon as they are rid of their illness. This fulfilment of the obligation is called expiation, in Arabic *gaza*. The fast is very strict and its rigour, especially during hot days like the present is particularly galling: as not even a drop of water is allowed to be taken to slake the thirst during the daytime. During the nights everything is allowed, and there is generally much feasting during these Ramzan nights. From sunset till dawn, Mahomed himself has ordained in the Koran, that his followers may eat and drink till the sun rises again, when they should resume their fast. The fast begins when the new moon of the present month has been seen as was done by all on last Wednesday. If the sky is over-clouded and the moon cannot be seen, then the fast begins upon the completion of thirty days from the beginning of the previous month of Shaban. It continues throughout this month, and ends on the 8th of November with another new moon when they celebrate a grand festival called Ramzan Eed to mark the close of this strict discipline of thirty days' duration.

During this month of mortification of the flesh, devout Mahomedans also seclude themselves for some days in a mosque, and abstain from all wordly conversation, reading only the Koran. It is thus their time of retreat; in this, following their prophet whose practice it was to retire in this manner for the last ten days of the Ramzan. It was during one of these ten nights that the Koran is said to have come down in one book from the highest heaven to the lowest and from thence revealed by the Angel Gabriel to Mahomed in portions as the occasion required. In the Koran the fast of Ramzan is thus mentioned in the second chapter or Surah. "O believers! a fast is prescribed to you as it was prescribed to those before you, that ye may fear God for certain days. As to the month Ramzan in which the Koran was sent down to be man's guidance, and an explanation of that guidance, and of that illumination, as soon as any one of you observeth the moon, let him set about the fast; but he who is sick, or upon a journey, shall fast a like number of other days. God wisheth you ease, but wisheth not your discomfort, and that you fulfil the number of days, and that you glorify God for his guidance, and that you be thankful. I will answer the cry of him that crieth, when he crieth unto me; but let them hearken unto me and believe in me, that they may proceed aright." It is probable that Mahomed got the idea of this fast during Ramzan either from the old Hebrew fast of the Tenth mentioned in the book of Leviticus, or from the Christian fast of Lent. The latter was very strictly kept in the Eastern Church in Mahomed's time, both during the nights as well as days. Mohamed relaxed the rigour of the fast during the nights, when he permitted feasting, and very likely he alludes to this comparison with the great hardship of the Christian Lent, when he says in the Koran :—"God wisheth you ease but wisheth not your discomfort." The observance of this fast of Ramzan is one of the five pillars of practice in Islam religion. The gates of Paradise are said by Mahomed to be open during it, and the gates of Hell are shut, and "the devils are chained by the leg, and only those who observe this fast will be permitted to enter at the gate of Heaven." Those who keep it are promised pardon for all their past venial sins.

MR. ARTHUR NAYLOR WOLLASTON.

MR. ARTHUR WOLLASTON who, Reuter informs us, retires this week owing to the completion of his sixty-fifth year—he was born on October 14, 1842, is one of our best Orientalists having contributed much to our knowledge especially of the Persian language in which he is an expert. He has passed by far the greater part of his life in the India Office, which he joined nearly fifty years ago when the Home Government of India was in the throes of reconstitution. After forty years' service he was appointed, in July, 1898, Registrar and Superintendent of India Office Records, in succession to Mr. Frederick Danvers who died last year, but who had then to retire under the sixty-five years rule under which his successor retires now. Mr. Wollaston has not done such useful work in his department of records as his predecessor, who published several useful reports on the records, not only at home but in foreign countries also, that on the Portuguese Records relating to India kept at Lisbon and Evora being particularly important. Mr. Danvers also searched for the India Office the old Dutch records kept at the Hague ; but he did not publish the results, which would have been very important, and neither Mr. Wollaston has done this, though the work of searching and gleaning from the old Dutch Records relating to India is very necessary for the right understanding of our early history in the East. Mr. Wollaston's tastes lay in a different direction altogether and he has been occupied not with history and its materials, but with philology and partly also theology of the East. For thirty years and more he has laboured in these fields and published several noteworthy books, of which his English-Persian Dictionary on a very elaborate scale is the most laborious and useful. This Dictionary is now the standard lexicon on the subject, and in several points it is better than the older works of the great Persian lexicographers in England, Richardson and Johnson. He translated also from the Persian the famous book of fables well known as *Anwar-i-Suhali* or "the Rays of the star Canopus." These fables were originally of Indian origin written in Sanskrit and called the *Hitopadesh*. The peregrinations of this Sanskrit book through various countries and languages—the Pahlavi, Arabic, Persian, Turkish, French and English, and the labours of famous men like Ibu Mokaffa, Abdul Fazl, Sir Charles Wilkins, and others on rescissions and translations and commentaries of it—form a curious chapter in literary history as also in folk-lore and the migration of tales and fables. Another notable work which Mr. Wollaston did was to publish the translation of the famous miracle play of Hasan and Husain, the recital of which forms such a feature of Mahomedanism in Persia and also in parts of India during the festival of the Mohorrum. The translation was prepared with great trouble and labour by Sir Lewis Pelly when he was our Resident in Persia, and was afterwards edited with several notes by Mr. Wollaston in 1879 at Pelly's request. The ten volumes of which Mr. Wollaston's work consists are very curious and ought to be read by all who want to understand the Mahomedanism of Persia. About the religion of Islam he has written several short and lucid books including a charming selection from the Koran called "Half Hours with Mahomed." He takes great interest in the work of the Royal Asiatic Society, and took the most active part in founding two medals in connection with that Society. One medal is presented every three years to the most prominent European Orientalist in recognition of his services to Eastern learning and among its recipients have been such honoured names as Dr. E. West, Sir W. Muir, and Dr. Sachau of Berlin. The other medal is given every year to a boy from one of the English Public Schools who writes the best essay on an Indian Historical subject. This has done much to stimulate a taste for such subjects in schools at home. Mr. Wollaston did much to collect the funds which have rendered the endowments for both these medals possible. Now that he is freed from the trammels of routine work, we hope Mr. Wollaston will do still further work for Oriental scholarship and give us the fruits of his ripe research and thought in his chosen subjects.

THE French gunboat "Surprise," commanded by Captain Mercier, sailed for Karachi yesterday.

CHAPTER XIII of our new Serial Story "Scarlet Town," by Alice and Claude Askew, will be found on page 3 of to-day's issue.

PROFESSOR A. A. MACDONELL arrived in Bombay yesterday afternoon by the City Line steamer "City of York" from Liverpool.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR of Bombay will arrive from Mahableshwar at the Victoria Terminus, at 6-15 a.m. to-day. (Arrival private.)

AN advertisement in another column announces the closing of the Apollo Bunder from 6 to half past nine on Friday, on the occasion of the arrival of Sir George Clarke. The orders for those attending the Bunder are also issued.

BISHOP JOSEPH BERRY, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, announced in an address that President Roosevelt likes "cocktails," and had them served at his table at a recent luncheon given at Oyster Bay to Vice-President Fairbanks. The President is very angry over the affair, the "Chronicle" says, and Mr. Loeb, his private Secretary, has issued a denial of the story.

THE Secretary of State has sanctioned the appointment of a second Inspector of Explosive in India, whose duties will be identical with those of the present Inspector of Explosives. Honorary Lieutenant J. W. Turner has been selected for this new appointment, and will take up his duties about the 1st December.

LIKE his brothers, Captains H. E. and C. E. Bateman-Champain, who are also in Gurkha Regiments, Major A. A. Bateman-Champain, 23rd Gurkhas, whose death was announced recently, was a well-known cricketer. After leaving Cheltenham College where he headed the batting average in his last year, he played on several occasions for Gloucestershire with success. He frequently made large scores for the Gurkha Brigade team, and his death will be deeply regretted by Northern Indian cricketers.

THE French caricaturist, "Sem," is at present in London studying types for his album of London celebrities. In an interview he expressed his appreciation of the "chic Anglais"—the English aristocrat—as the finest in the world. The young Frenchman, he said, copied him both in his clothes and his demeanour. As for the English ladies, he thought they were perfect, or would be if they did not make the mistake of dressing in the French fashion.

THERE exists at Totnes Market a custom which is believed to be without parallel in the history of markets. A dealer chalks up the price he gives for butter and eggs on a stall, and all the other dealers pay the same. This system has gone on, and surprisingly little friction has resulted. Some time ago an attempt was made to break down the custom and induce producers to stand in the market and make the best price they could. It was, however, shortlived and the old system was reverted to.

MESSRS. HARLAND AND WOLFF, of Belfast, are to launch next month a new bow portion for the White Star liner Suevic, which ran ashore near the Lizard. A good two-thirds of the vessel was salved and taken to Southampton for repair. Now the new bow which has been built for her is to be towed round from Belfast to Southampton, and the ship is to be rendered once more complete. It is believed that this will be the first time that a piece of a ship's hull has been launched, and certainly it will be the first time that it has been the subject of a long towage. For the purposes of the voyage that part of the new bow which will be immediately joined to the Suevic is enclosed with a wall of steel plates.

NOTES ON INDIAN INTERESTS.

THOUGHTS BY A NATIVE THINKER.

THE SEDITIOUS MEETINGS ACT.

THE Seditious Meetings Act, which will shortly be incorporated in the Statute Book, is deplorable from diverse points of view. It is a melancholy confession that the Ordinance empowering the Government to prohibit political meetings in proclaimed areas for a period of six months has proved a failure as a temporary expedient. It shows that the repressive measures, commencing with the deportations, have failed to subdue the forces of lawlessness and disorder, and that the Executive are still in need of a more potent weapon to cope with them. The outrageous conduct of the passionate patriots in the disturbed areas is responsible for an enactment which, to the shame and indignation of the sane and law-abiding population of India, will stand for all time as a blot upon the Statute Book. The proposal has raised a howl of execration in quarters from which nothing different can be expected. The opinion of the reasonable and thoughtful among educated Indians is of far greater value, and that opinion is not all in favour of a permanent measure reflecting upon the general loyalty of India. These men, whose judgement must command weight, and whose natural feelings must evoke sympathy, are not quite convinced that the necessity for an enactment, which may give to foreign powers an exaggerated notion of the depth and extent of disaffection in India, has been so pronounced and imperative as to render it inevitable. For myself, I trust that I have not erred much, either on the side of exaggeration or undervaluation, in my estimate of the disaffection which disgraces Bengal and the Punjab. I was one of the very first on this side of India to call the serious attention of Government, six months ago, to the "Signs and Portents" which could be discerned in the extravagant violence and bitterness of a section of the press of those provinces : and I wondered if the time had not come for the Government to deal strongly with its unrestrained licence, before it might cause far graver mischief. Holding this opinion, I feel, nevertheless, an objection, partly sentimental, to the proposed measure, and am also afraid lest it may be abused in its operation by local officers who will have the power to permit or prohibit, at their own discretion, the holding of a political meeting in a proclaimed area.

WILL IT PROVE EFFECTIVE?

The Act will not, of course, affect the law-abiding. It will not curtail their freedom, save that where the measure is enforced, they will be involved, to some extent, in the coercion intended for the lawless. I should welcome, nevertheless, the Seditions Meetings Act as a last resort, if there were a reasonable certainty that it will attain its object. It will stifle speech. Will it quell the spirit of disaffection? There are other means, besides the public platform, through which seditious and inflammatory speech will find a vent. There is the hostile press which will continue its out-pourings against the British rule, and will turn the new measure to account by creating greater bitterness among fools and fanatics. The deportations, the ordinance proclaiming the disturbed districts, the prosecutions of newspapers for sedition, the punishment of rioters, have not succeeded to our wish. Can we be sure now that the new law, which will certainly add to the ill-humour of the times, will be more efficacious? And if it will not, then where will it all end? I can only express a pious and fervent hope that it will end all right, and that soon enough. The political demands made by the Extremists are outrageous and unthinkable, and as they can never be satisfied, the spirit which prompts those demands will not be quelled by any healing arts that the Government may employ. But a parcel of noisy demagogues does not constitute India. It is not only that they have cut themselves off from their countrymen, but they are disowned by the bulk of their Congress brethren who condemn their excesses. Repression alone can touch these men, and when they threaten to become a dangerous nuisance, they must be sternly dealt with. I am an advocate of stern measures, such as might prove effective, not only for the sake of the public peace and tranquility, not only for the sake of the fair name and character of India, but also for that of its political progress which is retarded by extravagant absurdities, proving a useful lack of political capacity in the very men who clamour for complete emancipation and absolute civic freedom.

WANTED—A MIDDLE CLASS FOR INDIA.

In the opinion of the "Times," if there were in India a middle class, in the sense in which there is one in Great Britain, much of the present discontent would disappear. Education in India produces, says the "Times," an intellectual proletariat, with Government service for its goal, and the agitators are mainly drawn from the class of those who have been disappointed in this aim. If there were in this country a middle class with a diversity of aims and occupations, men engaged in commerce and industries, enterprise and adventure, there would be no clamour for Government employment, and consequently there would be no disappointment and no bitterness. I cordially agree with the plea of the "Times" for the growth of a powerful and comfortable middle class, although the producing of it is not so easy as the writer seems to imagine. There are not in India "countless branches of trade, commerce and industry," ready for Indians to engage in. The country is capable of enormous development, but the development is attended with great difficulties, which would be insurmountable without Government sympathy and support. The essential preliminary to the industrial awakening of India is a complete system of Technical Education on a sound basis. Government have been doing something in this direction, but it is a long way from being everything ; and as for the people themselves, they have been doing far less than even their limited capacity and opportunities would allow. There are exceptional instances of industrial enterprise, and it is significant that they are most numerous in Bombay which is politically so sober and quiescent. Allowing the existence of a middle class in India, such as is contemplated by the "Times," I am afraid that political agitation of a questionable character will continue nevertheless. Although it has often been asserted that agitators are composed principally of disappointed office-seekers, the statement, at the best, is but partially true. The leaders of the agitation are generally lawyers and other professional men, who have no cause to grumble at their lot from a worldly point of view, and the spirit of bitterness which is engendered in certain classes springs, not from such disappointment, but from the wild extravagance of their political ambition. Nay, the wildest among them affect to spurn State employment and public honours. It is as futile to attribute the disaffection to disappointment at failure to obtain Government service, as the main cause, as to argue from this untenable premise that the Government have been recklessly giving too much Western education to their Indian subjects. Those who advance this objection, as the special correspondent of the "Times" in India has done, regard education in the light of a commercial commodity, the supply of which must not exceed the demand. Not accepting for a moment this low and gross ideal of learning, I think that we cannot have too much of education, though there should be such improvements in the system as might produce a large proportion of rational beings, who can bring careful thought and sterling sense to bear upon their patriotism and political aspirations.

SUGAR AND SWADESHI.

Mahomedans and Parsis objected to some lessons in the new series of Vernacular Text Books, as hurting their religious susceptibilities, and their complaints have met with a sympathetic response from the authorities. Sir Bhalchandra Krishna has discovered an error in a lesson on sugar in the Marathi Fourth Book, which, as a good citizen, he considered it his duty to point out to the Director of Public Instruction. It contains a statement that sugar is refined by means of animal charcoal, which being not in agreement with fact, he suggested that it should be expunged from future editions. Sir Bhalchandra's action has raised a storm of indignation in certain Marathi journals. His conduct is denounced as unpatriotic, if not worse. They do not care to see if the statement is correct or not. They only know that Swadeshists have themselves made use of it for their own ends, and if a lesson in a Reader, published under the authority of Government, conveys a similar impression, it is best for their purpose that it should stand there. If the propagation of a falsehood serves to help their cause, they have no scruple to condemn the man who sought to correct it primarily for the sake of truth. As their main business is perversion of the mind of the youth of this country, it must, doubtless, be their desire that they should be fed rather on convenient falsehood than on inconvenient truth. Sir Balchandra claims to be an ardent Swadeshist, and his protestation is perfectly consistent with his action. As a true Swadeshist he must hate the dishonest and coercive tactics of the spurious Swadeshists, and the latter have been offended by his writing to the Director, simply because it went against an untruth which they were sedulously nursing. The Bhatias of Bombay lately convened a meeting to consider whether foreign sugar may be used, and they arrived at the very sensible resolution that as foreign sugar contained no element which made it impure on religious grounds, there was no objection to use it ; but that, as far as possible, it was preferable to use the indigenous product. Yes, I should, as a true Swadeshist myself, prefer to use Indian sugar if it were as good and as cheap as foreign sugar.

AN INDO-AMERICAN ALLIANCE.

I have noticed that the West is always ready to take a romantic interest in the East, from a distance; and the greater the distance, the deeper the interest. At close quarters, the glamour of the East fades away, and when the East enters into an economic competition with the West, all romance and love and interest originally inspired by her vanishes like a dream, and even bare justice is denied to her. In America some good folk have discovered that the Indian (not the American variety) is trodden ruthlessly under the iron heel of John Bull, and have resolved that he should be relieved from oppression and misery. With this object they have started an Indo-American National Association, whose principal endeavour will be "to convey through the Indian press and all other available channels the sympathy which we feel for the Indian people in their present unhappy condition, to encourage them, by all lawful means, in their efforts to re-establish their industrial and economic independence, to secure from the British Government that measure of self-government which is essential to their well-being, and to present an absolutely united front in all Indian affairs." Instead of embarking on Quixotic enterprises, these good people had better try to put their own house in order, leaving others to take care of their own. They seem to have heard of the Swadeshi and Boycott movement, which to their sympathetic heart appears to be a brave struggle by the people to regain the industrial and economic independence wrested from the country, or denied to it, by the alien ruler. They, in the innocence of ignorance, have constituted themselves the judge of the exact measure of self-government, essential to our well-being. The example presented by America of the treatment of the Japanese and other coloured races within her own borders is by no means edifying, and if a number of the Indians, for whom they are prepared to weep sympathetic tears, were to emigrate to the United States in order to improve their hard lot, they are not likely to meet with better hospitality. For any impression that the Indo-American Association may make upon the course of events in India, its influence will not be any more effective than that of the fly upon the wheel. As it threatens to open a branch in India, it may add, to a slight extent, to the mischief wrought by agitators, who will be only too happy to use it as a tool, in the way they have done Mr. Keir Hardie. Even he, it may be observed in passing, has been chastened somewhat by the little experience he has gained in India, as his latest utterances give some evidence of caution and self-restraint. The Association has asked Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji to be at the head of the Indian branch, and the veteran has gratefully accepted the offer. He would have better consulted his age and honour if he had thankfully declined it. After a long, laborious and strenuous life, peace and rest, *otium cum dignitate*, should be his portion on his retirement to his native home ; and it would be positively cruel to drag him from it, even if it were to reconcile the bitter feuds of the Congressmen at Nagpur.

DION.

A VALUABLE RAILWAY REFORM.

Not the least important of the results of this year's Indian Railway Conference, writes a correspondent, is likely to be the introduction of an immense simplification of the Railway Goods Tariff. This Tariff has hitherto been so complicated that the East Indian Railway have found themselves obliged to keep up three bulky volumes, each of some eight hundred closely printed pages to contain it ; and other lines have similarly overgrown codes ; the whole offering an almost hopeless tangle for the ordinary commercial man who is interested only in the net cost of conveying his goods from one place to another ; while it causes delay in disposing of traffic, besides giving an immense amount of unnecessary labour to the export railway officials concerned.

This is now to be changed. The ground was first cleared by the exetions of Mr. Ross-Johnson, the energetic secretary-elect of the Conference. A Special Committee under Mr. G. Huddleston, Traffic Manager of the East Indian Railway has now gone carefully into the whole matter and submitted an ad-interim report, which placed the subject in a very much more hopeful position than any it has hitherto occupied.

The Committee's recommendations, though still tentative and subject to confirmation by the various railway managements, have already secured the unanimous approbation of the Conference in regard to the general principles involved. They reduce the number of the headings under which goods are classified, from some three thousand to five hundred. Articles in which the traffic is insignificant are relegated to general categories, for which the railways can afford to quote uniformly cheap rates. Masses of special rules, introduced to meet temporary and long since vanished conditions, are abolished. Suggestions are also made for reducing the present seven classes of goods traffic to five, in such a way as to help both the railway staff and the public, without affecting the revenues of the railways.

The Committee propose to reassemble next January, by which time expert criticism from the railways concerned should be available, and it should be possible to settle definitely those changes which are generally agreed to. This would enable the revised classification to be introduced from 1st April next, and remove a long standing and important abuse.

THE death is announced of Angelo Sarto, the Pope's brother. He was formerly in the Austrian Army, but for some years kept a small grocery shop at Asolo, near Mantua, and latterly has been employed in a subordinate capacity at the post office.

INDIAN cricketers will be interested to learn that the Free Foresters are organising a tour in India for the cold weather season of 1908-09. The team will comprise sixteen players, most of them participants in Home first-class cricket, and will probably include Mr. R. J. T. Bosanquet, the Middlesex County "googly" bowler, and Mr. B. S. Foster, a younger member of the famous cricket brotherhood, who has come to the front as a batsman this season.

M. RODIN bought recently, in an old curiosity shop in Paris, an ancient marble head of a man, and as the face was rather knocked about, he sent it to a brother sculptor for repair. When the work was done this friend got into a cab with the marble head, and drove towards M. Rodin's studio. On the way the cab came into collision with a motor-car, and the head rolled out into the road and was smashed to pieces. The sculptor picked up the pieces, and found in a cavity of the skull twenty gold coins of ancient date and considerable value.

THE Governor of Cochin-China, in a report just laid before the Colonial Council of the Colony, dwells upon the mischief done by Chinese secret organisations there ; which are simply branches of the dreaded Triad Society. Bad characters join the Societies in great numbers and lead a life of crime. Many of them have been arrested and punished, but the law of the Colony is not strong enough to reach the Societies. Their leaders can only be sentenced to light terms of imprisonment. The Governor wishes that he had the power to deport them also.

CHAPTER OF DISASTERS.

TRAIN RUNS AWAY.

Frightful Carnage.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, OCTOBER 15.

The latest advices from Shrewsbury state that nineteen were killed and forty injured.

The engine turned turtle and the carriages were heaped up to the height of the telegraph poles.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

It is stated that the train which was wrecked at Shrewsbury was travelling at fifty miles an hour instead of slowing down and stopping as it should have done.

The signalman at the station received a message—'Train running away.'

The driver and fireman were killed.

POWDER WORKS BLOWN UP.

Increasing List of Victims.

LONDON, OCTOBER 15

The gunpowder works at Fontanet, Indiana, blew up killing twenty-one people.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

Twenty-five persons are dead, forty are dying, six hundred have been injured and 1,200 rendered homeless by the explosion of the powder-works at Fontanet, in Indiana.

Every building within a radius of half a mile was wrecked.

TRAM SMASH AT HALIFAX.

Three More Deaths.

LONDON, OCTOBER 15.

Three more deaths have occurred from the Halifax tramcar disaster.

BRIDGE COLLAPSE IN AMERICA.

Many Killed and Injured.

LONDON, OCTOBER 15.

At Middleton, in New York, a bridge collapsed and a train was precipitated into a ravine.

Twenty were killed and injured.

THE KING OF SIAM.

Arrives at Malta.

THEFT OF ROYAL JEWELS.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

King Chulalongkorn has arrived at Malta. He inspected the battleship "Implacable" and lunched with the Acting Governor at the Palace.

A representative of a London firm has been robbed in the train between Rome and Naples of a parcel of diamonds, valued at £700, destined for King Chulalongkorn.

A NEW DREADNOUGHT.

To be Ready in April.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

The "Superb," the latest battleship of the "Dreadnought" type, will be launched at Elswick on April 7th.

MR. TAFT'S TOUR.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

Mr. Taft has arrived at Manila.

RIOT IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Wanton Attack on Japanese.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

Ten Japanese were injured in an attack by drunken whites on a laundry in San Francisco on Monday evening.

The police dispersed the rioters.

GOVERNMENT AND TEMPERANCE.

A Difficult Task.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

Mr. Lloyd George, speaking at Manchester, said the Government meant to concentrate its energy in 1908 on a great bill aimed at excessive drinking, but safeguarding the moderate drinker.

THE FLOODS IN FRANCE.

LONDON, OCTOBER 15.

The French Government will ask for a credit of six million francs for the relief of the inundated provinces.

THE BISHOP OF LONDON IN AMERICA.

Preaching to the Masses.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

The Bishop of London who is now in America preached yesterday, standing on a soap-box, to an enormous mixed congregation consisting of millionaires, clerks, and labourers, in Wall Street.

THE CESAREWITCH.

Demure Wins the Race.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

The Cesarewitch result is as follows :—

Demure	1
The White Knight	2
Wuffy	3

LATER.

The betting in the Cesarewitch was :—

4 to 1 Demure.
100 to 8 White Knight.
10 to 1 Wuffy

There were thirteen starters.

Won by three-quarters of a length with three lengths between second and third horses.

THE LETTERS OF QUEEN VICTORIA.

AUTHORITATIVE PUBLICATION.

Side Lights on a Quarter of a Century.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, OCTOBER 15.

Queen Victoria's correspondence, from 1837 to 1861, has been published by John Murray with Royal authority.

It throws into strong relief Her late Majesty's remarkable personality. The letters range from girlish transports upon her betrothal to "a perfect angel," to the statesmanlike declarations of a sagacious sovereign upon the most important State affairs.

They display the keenest watchfulness of every phase of domestic and foreign questions and a strenuous insistence on every prerogative of the Crown, coupled with a rigorous adherence to the Constitutional position.

A notable letter after the death of the Prince Consort says: "I am determined never to allow any one bad to guide or dictate to me."

PERSIAN AFFAIRS.

Distubances at Kerman.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

The *Times'* Teheran correspondent telegraphs announcing disorders at Kerman. Seven people were killed and many wounded. The refugees took shelter in the British Telegraph Office.

The Russian Consulate and the British Legation made representations to the President of the Parliament.

THE INDIA COUNCIL.

Sir Walter Lawrence's Appointment.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

Sir Walter Lawrence has been appointed to the Council of India.

EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA'S HEALTH.

Decided Improvement.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

The health of the Emperor Francis Joseph shows a distinct improvement.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16,

Mr. Vidal, formerly Chief Secretary of Bombay, and Cardinal Steinhuber are dead.

THE UNREST IN BENGAL.

Plea for Better Understanding.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 16.

A stirring appeal to the British Indian Association and Landholders in the two Bengals has been issued by Kumar Manmatha Nath Roy Chowdhuri of Santosh. He urges the necessity for a conference on the present situation and the formation of a league to visit all District Headquarters and important sub-divisional towns in order to bring about a healthy change in the present political situation. Representatives of various private schools and colleges should also be induced to exercise a loving but efficient control over the younger generation so that they may not employ themselves or be employed by others for political purposes.

THE SITUATION IN BURMA.

Reassuring Report.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, OCTOBER 16.

The Burma Government have published the following note on the condition of crops of Burma the rice crops are excellent in most parts of Lower Burma, but about 5,000 acres are unploughed for want of rain in Tharrawaddy and 46,000 acres have been destroyed by floods in the Amherst District. Parts of the latter area have been replanted and if rains are favourable will yield some crops. Stocks are sufficient everywhere in Lower Burma, but prices are high in some parts owing to the heavy demand for export. In Upper Burma the prospects have improved in some parts and are worse in others. In about half the districts crops will be normal, elsewhere one half to one third. They have failed in parts of Pakokku and prospects are very bad. Should rain continue the prospects in most parts will materially improve. Prices are generally normal and stocks sufficient except in Yamethin and Pakokku. In the former place the people are beginning to emigrate on the whole of the Local Government considers there is no real cause for anxiety, but the situation is being watched in the precarious districts.

THE ORISSA DEPUTATION.

Sympathetic Reception at Home.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 16.

Mr. Madhu Cuddon Das, C.I.E., of Orissa, arrived in Calcutta yesterday morning from England where he has been on a mission on behalf of the people of Orissa. In course of an interview with a *Statesman* representative Mr. Das said that his mission in England was to plead the cause of Orissa, her tributary Chiefs and people, and he had done so, meeting with a broad, sympathetic hearing from Members of Parliament, Mr. John Morley and the British Press.

RAILWAY EXTENSION IN BURMA.

Rangoon and Moulmein Connected.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, OCTOBER 16.

Railway communication has been opened between Rangoon and Moulmein. This extension of Burma Railways Company marks a new era in its history. It is expected to adversely affect the seaborn trade carried on hitherto between Rangoon and Moulmein by British India boats.

His Excellency the Viceroy received a visit from the Maharaja of Kolhapur and Malik Umar Khan on Tuesday.

DUSSERA AT MYSORE.

Brilliant Ceremonies.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MYSORE CITY, OCTOBER 16.

Yesterday afternoon the Mysore Dussera celebrations entered on a new phase, the ceremonies being mainly for the benefit of the European guests. The Durbar was held at Jaganmohan Palace which was brilliantly illuminated for the occasion, the Palace grounds being effectively decorated, presenting the appearance of a veritable fairyland. At the hour appointed there was assembled on the side passages of the Durbar Hall a large number of guests including the Dewan, Mr. Madhava Rao, the First and Second Councillors, the Heads of all Departments of the Mysore Service, and about fifty European guests among whom were Mrs. Williams, Colonel Brown Hutchinson, Major and Mrs. Irving, Colonel, Mrs. and Miss Watts, Major-General Atkinson, Colonel Thackwell, Major and Mrs. Annesly, Mr. and Mrs. Maconochie, Lieut and Mrs. Heale, and many other distinguished guests from Bangalore. Punctually to time the Hon'ble Mr. Williams, British Resident, accompanied by Mr. P. F. Renne, First Assistant Resident, arrived at the Durbar Hall in a four-in-hand. The Resident was received by a Guard of Honour of the Mysore Troops. All troops presented arms and a salute of 13 guns was fired from the fort ramparts. At the entrance to the Durbar Hall the British Resident was received by Mr. Madhava Rao, Dewan to the Maharaja, and was conducted into the Hall and was met by H. H. the Maharaja who entered in state by the opposite entrance. The customary salutations were exchanged between the Maharaja and the British Resident. The Maharaja after the usual ceremonies took his seat on the throne, the Resident sitting at the right hand of the Maharaja. The European guests then filed past the throne bowing to the Maharaja as they passed by to their seats on the right of the Durbar Hall. The Hon'ble the Resident and other guests were then garlanded, the former by the Dewan and the other guests by the principal Officers present. The programme of the entertainment then continued. There were musical rides by the Mysore Lancers, displays by dismounted troops, and wrestling by famous Punjabi wrestlers, the String Band of the Maharaja meanwhile playing within the Durbar Hall. Brilliant illuminations and a fine display of fireworks concluded the entertainment when the British Resident again exchanged salutations with the Maharaja and left the Durbar Hall being honoured the same manner on his departure. This morning there was a grand procession of arms, elephants, horses, etc. to the Banni Mantap. A wrestling Tournament and various minor entertainments have been arranged for the European guests including visits to the Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition, and a visit to historic Seringapatam. This evening the great State procession takes place followed by a Durbar and on the 19th instant there will be a State Banquet.

MAHOMEDANS AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, OCTOBER 16.

At a representative meeting of the Mahomedans of Jaunpur yesterday, presided over by Maulvi Abdul Majid Rais, resolutions were passed placing on record. The deep sense of gratification of the community at the statesmanlike recognition accorded by the Government of India in a letter, recently addressed to the local Governments, to the just principle of separate representation of the Mahomedan community in Imperial and Provincial Councils in the spirit of the generous reply given by Lord Minto to the address of All India Mahomedan Deputation in October last. The meeting is fully convinced that this recognition will not only solve many administrative difficulties of Government but will enable the Mahomedan community to secure a proper hearing for its just claims. Grateful thanks are tendered to the Viceroy for his wide magnanimous policy, also for appointment to the Council of India of Mr. Bilgrami.

ELECTRICITY IN INDIA.

Uniform Legislation Wanted.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, OCTOBER 16.

The Upper India Chamber of Commerce has approved of the recommendations of the Committee appointed to consider the amendment of the Indian Electricity Acts (1) as to the desirability of all legislation in this connection being for the present assumed by the Government of India so as to ensure common standardisation of the regulations and terms on which licenses are granted and uniformity generally, and (2) as to the constitution of an advisory board for the settlement of technical problems.

Further details in connection with the proposals of the Amendment Committee are under consideration by the Chamber.

RAM LILA AT CAWNPORE.

A Series of Disasters.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CAWNPORE, OCTOBER 16

This year *Ram Lila* has been productive of several casualties. Last evening a native spectator seated on the branch of a tree, over hanging the huge figure of *Ram Lila* was hurled on to the figure by the breaking of the branch. As he fell on top of the figure one of large bombs went off killing the man instantly. The policeman trying to keep the crowd off had his skull smashed. A native, said to be mad, began beating an old woman who was looking on at *Ram Lila*. An ekkawalla who was passing interfered whereupon the madman set upon him breaking open his skull with a brick. The ekkawalla was removed to hospital in a precarious state

DASTARDLY ATTACK ON A EUROPEAN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CAWNPORE, OCTOBER 16

Between one and two this morning a dastardly attempt was made on the life of Mr. White, one of the oldest residents of Cawnpore. It appears that while he was asleep the miscreant got into the bedroom and lifting a marble slate about 70 lbs. in weaight aiming it at Mr. White's head. Fortunately it fell on the floor hind the bed and beyond a slight bruise, Mr, White, a man of about 80, is none the worse for the attempt on his life.

SCARCITY IN THE PUNJAB.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DELHI, OCTOBER 16.

The common staple food-grains having now exceeded scarcity rates (*i.e.* ten seers to the rupee) all menial servants of Government drawing less than sixteen rupees per month now become entitled under Government Standing Orders, concerning times of scarcity, to draw compensation for dearness of food.

CHOLERA IN ORISSA.

Sequel to the Floods.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 16.

An epidemic of cholera, said to be of great intensity, has broken out in the Orissa tracts that were swept by the recent floods.

Amongst the Amir's visitors at Mazar-i-Sharif has been His Highness' younger son, Sirdar Hayat-Ullah Khan, Governor of Badakshan. It was now arranged that the Amir was to leave Mazar-i-Sharif yesterday on his way back to Kabul.

PARTITION DAY CELEBRATIONS.

Agreement between Government and Bengalis.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 16.

The Government of Bengal, through the Chief Secretary Gait, and the Bengalis, through the Hon. Mr. Bhupendra Nath Basu, have arrived at a remarkable agreement with regard to Partition Day celebrations. The result of the conference is that the Bengalis are premitted to assemble in Green Park to-morrow free from the presence of the police. But the Government did not acquiesce without certain undertakings which, being given, placed the Bengalis on their honour to be of good conduct and to make sober speeches. No police will be in Green Park and the people who assembled there are not not to carry lathis and those who speak are not to utter sedition or use such language as is likely to create a breach of the peace.

EXPERIENCE OF BENGALI ROWDIES IN JAIL.

Recounted in the Press.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 16.

The "Empire" says that the Bengalis who were convicted for taking part in rowdyism in Bow Bazar, which followed the sentencing of Bepin Chander Pal and the flogging of a student, have now completed their sentences and several have been writing to the papers.

P. De, who was implicated in the recent Police fracas, concludes his Jail experiences, which he has contributed to the "Hitabadi," thus :—"At the time of my departure the Jailor asked me, 'Are you coming again?' 'Yes,' I answered, 'but not in this condition. If I come back I will come here after killing two or three of the villain Europeans to put my neck in the halter.

MR. KEIR HARDIE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 16.

Mr. Keir Hardie spent this morning visiting various officials and was granted an interview by His Excellency the Viceroy in the afternoon. As now arranged Mr. Hardie leaves Simla on Friday.

LUCKY DAY TRANSACTIONS.

Large Orders for Foreign Goods.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 16.

To-day was Lucky Day and orders placed with merchants for piece-goods were large and shows that the native dealers in foreign cloths are unaffected.

DEATH OF LIEUTENANT BIGGS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, OCTOBER 16.

I regret to announce the death of Lieutenant Lionel Andrews Mouat Biggs, 130th Baluchis, which sad event took place at the Station Hospital, Wanowree, to-day. The deceased Officer obtained his Commission in 1902 and was appointed to the Indian Army in 1903. He was Quarter-Master of his Regiment and came to Poona two months ago to join the signalling class.

SUPREME LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Business for To-morrow's Meeting.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 16.

The programme for next Friday's meeting of the Viceroy's Legislative Council comprises the presentation, on the motion of the Hon'ble Mr. Baker, of the Select Committee's report upon Local Authorities Loan Bill and the passing of that measure; also the introduction, on the motion of Sir Harvey Adamson, of the Seditious Meetings Prevention Bill already published; and the referring of this measure to a Select Committee consisting of the Hon'ble Mr. Richards, Hon'ble Mr. Baker, Hon'ble Mr. Rash Behary Ghose, Hon'ble Mr. Gokhale and Sir Harvey Adamson.

Sir Harvey Adamson will also move to introduce a Bill to further amend the Legal Practitioners Act of 1879.

SIR HAROLD STUART GOES ON LEAVE.

Mr. Stevenson Moore to Officiate.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 16.

His Excellency the Viceroy has been pleased to sanction the grant to Sir Harold Stuart of six months' combined leave with effect from 1st November next and to approve of the continuance of the appointment of Mr. Stevenson Moore to officiate as Director of Criminal Intelligence.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 16.

2nd-Lieutenant De Pass, 47th Battery, Royal Field Artillery, is posted to 45th Battary, Royal Field Artillery, Hyderabad, *vice* Lieutenant Eddis, whose posting to the latter Battery is cancelled.

Lieutenant Devett, 4th Battery, R. F. A. embarks for duty in India on 6th November next.

The death is reported of Major E. D. Cameron, 3rd Battery R.F.A. at Meerut on 14th October from enteric fever.

On return from leave Colonel Ellis, Royal Engineers, is posted as Commanding Royal Engineer Lucknow Division, and Colonel Blunt as Commanding Royal Engineer, Mhow Division.

On arrival for a tour of duty Captain MacGeorge, Royal Engineers, is posted to Military Works in the Lahore Division.

On return from leave Major Kemp, Royal Engineers, is posted to the Mhow Division and Captain Griffith, Royal Engineers, to Nowshera.

Lieutenant Kelly, 81st Battery R. F. A., is transferred to the home establishment.

Colonel Tulloch, Assistant Quarter-Master General, is appointed Deputy A. G., Southern Army, *vice* Major General Watkis posted to the Command of the Abbottabad Brigade.

Colonel Payton, 15th Hussars, is appointed Assistant Quarter Master-General in the Division of the Chief the Staff.

Colonel F. W. N. McCracken, British Service, has been selected for appointment as a divisional Assistant Adjutant General.

The following are the dates of departure and arrival of the undermentioned Corps :—

R. G. A :—No. 21 Company, Agra, 30th October, Delhi, after practice, Karachi 15th February.

British Infantry—The Queen's, Sialkot 8th December, Agra 10th December.

Royal Welsh Fusiliers, Agra, 12th December, Shwebo, Bhamo, end of December.

Lancashire Regiment, Meerut 13th December.

Cameronians, Chakrata, 30th October, Cawnpore 14th December.

Indian Cavalry.—4th Cavalry, Allahabad 3rd February, Bareilly 29th February.

14th Lancers, Bareilly 20th October, Loralai 10th January.

Indian Infantry.—39th Garhwals, Chitral November 4th November, Lansdowne 6th November.

THE NEW GOVERNOR.

Full Arrangements for Reception.

The following is issued as a *Gazette* Extraordinary :—

Sir George Sydenham Clarke, G.C.M.G., appointed by His Majesty the King-Emperor to be the Governor of this Presidency, is expected to arrive in Bombay at 7 A.M. on Friday, the 18th October, by the P. & O. S. N. Company's s.s. "Oriental" and will be received on arrival with all the Naval and Military honours due to his position.

At 7-30 a. m., a deputation consisting of the Chief Secretary to Government, the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor, and one of His Excellency's Aides-de-Camp will proceed on board the s. s. "Oriental" under arrangements to be made by the Director of the Royal Indian Marine.

His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Naval Forces in the East Indies will be requested to make arrangements for the reception in the harbour of Sir George Clarke.

Sir George Clarke will leave the s.s. "Oriental" at 7-45 a.m. and the Director of the Royal Indian Marine should be requested to consult the wishes of His Excellency the Naval Commander-in-Chief and to make such arrangements as may be acceptable to His Excellency in carrying out the details of Sir George Clarke's disembarkation at the Apollo Bunder. The arrangements for landing at the Bunder will be made by the Director of the Royal Indian Marine. All other arrangements at the Bunder will be made by the Public Works Department.

On Sir George Clarke's arrival at the steps of the Bunder, a salute of 17 guns will be fired from the Saluting Battery. A Guard of Honour of British Infantry with Band and Colours will be drawn up, and the road from the Bunder towards the Secretariat and thence towards the Floral Fountain will be lined by troops of the Garrison. A Guard of Honour with Band and Colours will be at the Secretariat and at Government House, Malabar Point.

Sir George Clarke will be received at the Bunder by the Chief Justice of Bombay, the Bishop of Bombay, the Members of Council, the General Officer Commanding, Southern Army, the Judges of the High Court, the General Officer Commanding 6th (Poona) Division, the Commissioner in Sind, the Surgeon-General with the Government of Bombay, the Commissioners of Revenue and Customs, the Additional Members of the Council of His Excellency the Governor for making Laws and Regulations, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bombay, the Director of the Royal Indian Marine, the Roman Catholic Archbishop, the Archdeacon of Bombay, the General Officer Commanding, Bombay Brigade, the Secretaries to Government, the Senior Naval Officer at the Station, the Heads of Departments, Civil and Military, the Collector of Bombay, the President of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay, the Municipal Commissioner of Bombay, the Officers Commanding His Majesty's Ships in harbour (if able to attend on shore), the Officers Commanding Royal Indian Marine Ships in harbour, Officers Commanding Regiments, the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, and the Sheriff of Bombay, or by such of the above high officials as are then in the Presidency Town, for whom a space marked A will be reserved.

The Consular representatives of Foreign Governments are invited to be present on the occasion, and a space marked B will be reserved for them.

Accommodation will be reserved at the Bunder for any Native Chiefs who being in Bombay may have intimated to the Secretary to Government, Political Department, their desire to be present.

As the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay has expressed its desire to present an address to Sir George Clarke on his arrival, a space marked C will be reserved for the President and Members of the Municipal Corporation to which Sir George Clarke will be conducted and where he will be received by the representatives of the Corporation. The Executive Engineer, Presidency, will send a card of admission to each Member of the Corporation whose name is communicated to him by the President of the Corporation.

All other Officers of His Majesty's Services, Civil, Naval, Military and the Royal Indian Marine, and Officers belonging to Corps of Volunteers then in Bombay, who are desirous of attending, will be provided with seats so far as space is available. To all such who wish to attend cards of admission to space D will be supplied on application to the Executive Engineer, Presidency. The same officer will also issue cards of admission to space A to any Heads of Departments not specified by name in paragraph 6, who may intimate that they will be present. For all other officials and persons mentioned in paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 no cards will be necessary. As far as accommodation in space E is available, it will be allotted to any ladies or gentlemen who may apply for tickets to the Executive Engineer. The arrangements at the Bunder will be made by the Public Works Department.

Sir George Clarke will, after the presentation of the address, proceed *viâ* Mayo Road to the Secretariat, where the Warrant of Appointment will be read, on conclusion of which a salute will be fired. His Excellency will then drive to Government House, Malabar Point, escorted by a detachment of His Excellency the Governor's Body Guard and the Bombay Light Horse, *viâ* Fuller Road, Esplanade Road, Hornby Road, Cruickshank Road, Kalbadevi Road, Parel Road, Grant Road, Gowalia Tank Road, Gamdevi Road, Queen's Road, and Walkeshwar Road. No procession of carriages will be formed. The Commissioner of Police will arrange for the maintenance of order and for keeping the streets clear.

Full dress will be worn by all Officers of Government entitled to wear uniform, and morning dress by all others.

SIR G. CLARKE AND DEFENCE POLICY.

The relinquishment by Sir George Sydenham Clarke of the Secretaryship of the Committee of Imperial Defence, necessitated by his appointment as Governor of Bombay in succession to Lord Lamington, has prompted Sir Charles Dilke, M.P., to contribute to the "United Service Magazine" for October, under the title of "Official Opinion on Defence," an article appreciatory of Sir G. S. Clarke's influence upon the defensive policy of the Empire. Sir Charles Dilke writes :—

"Now that Sir G. S. Clarke has accepted the great appointment which will take him away from the Secretaryship of the Defence Committee of the Cabinet, it becomes more easy than had been the case to examine the effect produced upon his well known opinions by the tenure of an office such as gave him the fullest possible acquaintance with all the secrets of our War Office and our Admiralty. In a volume of essays Sir George Clarke reprinted papers contributed by him to various magazines, including that for which this article is written. It was those papers which caused Mr. Balfour's Government, perhaps on the joint suggestion of Mr. Arnold-Forster and Sir John Fisher, to telegraph to Australia and bring home Sir George Clarke to sit with Lord Esher and Sir John Esher on the famous Esher Committee. Sir G. S. Clarke's service on the Esher Committee was followed by immediate appointment to the Secretaryship when the Defence Committee was reconstituted in the latest and present form."

AN AUTHOR OF SOUND DOCTRINES.

"It is impossible to doubt," continues Sir Charles Dilke, "that to Sir George Clarke is largely due the recent acceptance by both parties in the State of the policy expounded by Mr. Balfour in his famous speech in the first debate on the vote which placed on Estimates for the first time, in 1905, the item representing the cost of the Secretariat of the Defence Committee. Mr. Haldane's acceptance on behalf of the present Administration of the doctrine contained in Mr. Balfour's speech was even more complete than had been the recognition in 1905 of the validity of Mr. Balfour's arguments in the House of Commons. As the now accepted principle is that which was laid down by Sir G. S. Clarke in 1895, following as he did the reasoning of Mr. Spenser Wilkinson, Admiral P. Colomb, and other earlier writers, it seems clear that it is Sir George Clarke who has been the immediate transmitter to the minds of statesmen of doctrines which have proved themselves sound by the test of time. They may, however, have been on the verge of senile decay when they gained acceptance. It was of our rejection of invansion that I ventured to quote Ibsen : 'A truth is never taken for truth by the people till it is so old a truth as to have all but become a lie.' That the communications of the Empire must be kept open by a predominant fleet, and that such a fleet will suffice to prevent invasion of the United Kingdom or of the island Colonies, is the foundation of the policy. Our enormous former expenditure upon fixed defence has always been condemned by Sir George Clarke Engineer officer though he be. For the Army, mobile troops as against sedentary garrisons are to be preferred. Intervention in Continental struggle by regular land warfare is rejected, and combined expeditionary forces must be directed if possible, in the event of war against the outlying possessions of the enemy. The transport difficulties of Russia were seen long before she was crippled by Japan to make it unlikely that she would ever be in a position to threaten serious invasion of India. The land frontier of North America must be guarded by policy rather than in arms. Such were the main heads of Sir George Clarke's lecture delivered in 1896, and reprinted by him in 1897. A sketch of the later form of the Defence Committee of the cabinet constituted a prophecy which it was left to the another to accomplish, and incidental observations, such as those on the baseless fear of the destruction of our seaborne commerce by an inferior naval Power, have also a close bearing upon recent developments of political opinion in the matter of defence.

INFLUENCE AT THE HAGUE.

"The instructions of the British delegates at The Hague Conference have been in part, if not in a high degree, based upon the recorded opinions of Sir G. S. Clarke—as for example in the matter of national insurance of seaborne trade. Recent changes effected by general consent, such as the reduction of the numbers of our Garrison Artillery are also obviously due to him. Some of his proposals which have been carried into effect are of more doubtful benefit, as for example the abolition of minefields, not only in naval ports where the Admiralty were interested in his policy, but in commercial rivers where no effective local defence seems as yet to have replaced the protection afforded by the Submarine Mining Divisions. India and Australia have considered and rejected this change. Sir George Clarke had the courage to offer fierce opposition to a proposed German alliance, recommended by Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Salisbury, at the time at which he (Sir G. Clarke) exposed in the pages of the "United Service Magazine" the historic fallacy of the arguments by which the proposal was commended. On the other hand, his argument against weakening our peace strength in the Mediterranean would probably be admitted by himself to have become antiquated in the progress of events."

THE TERRITORIAL FORCE AND INVASION.

"While Mr. Haldane, in his first important speech since he has held the office of Secretary of State for War, accepted the main propositions in which Mr. Balfour developed the conclusions of earlier writers as put before him and supported by Sir George Clarke yet when the Territorial and Reserves Forces Act was first explained to the House of Commons, a strange lapse from sound doctrine was at once noted by Mr Balfour. Mr. Haldane's scheme provides for an expeditionary force of 167,000 men, the need for which was not demonstrated by any argument, and the size of which is admittedly based, not on policy, but on accident. Sir G. S. Clarke has always condemned the preparation of our Army for Continental war, and from his latest writings may be seen to think now as he wrote in 1896, that 'it is not thus that the national honour can be guarded and the national interest secured. Obligations to allies...cannot thus be most effectively discharged...In the preface to the second edition of his book on 'Fortification' published in the summer of 1907, eighteen years after the original work was written, Sir G. S. Clarke points out that some of the principles endorsed by him and rejected by politicians in 1889, 'have now become commonplace views which were always known and accepted.' He goes on to express surprise at the recent activity of the 'invasion monger' in spite of the fact that the Navy is now stronger than at any previous time in history. In 1896, Sir G. S. Clarke had discussed the necessary standard of naval strength. Following others in ridiculing a standard founded upon proportion between seaborne commerce and strength in warships, he based his standard solely upon the naval resources of possible or probable enemies; and pointed out that our powers of construction had relatively improved and were 'absolutely unrivalled.' It is comforting to the taxpayer to learn that so competent an authority, speaking from the highest possible knowledge of the facts, public and secret, is convinced that we stand far better now in actual and potential naval superiority than we stood eleven years ago when he was already satisfied. Sir George Clarke assumes that the people are now persuaded that it is and must be a governing factor in our national policy, that the Navy shall "be maintained at a strength sufficient to enable it to control the movement of the fleets of any reasonably probable combination of Powers." After referring to the "Dilke Return" the article concludes by remarking: "Sir George Clarke is acquainted with all the information in the possession of the Intelligence Department of our Admiralty of which the true facts as to 'materiel' form but a part, and it is on all these secrets as well as upon all the 'return' that his confident opinion as to our complete naval predominance over any probable or even possible enemies in 1896 and infinitely greater relative power in 1907 is happily based."

FOWL FAMINE AT BEHAR.

Government Poultry Stations Recommended.

I WONDER, writes a Behar correspondent in the "Pioneer," when Government will begin to see the necessity of taking up a scheme for the improvement and extra supply of poultry in India? We, here in Behar, as well as others who have to live out in the districts are the ones who suffer most by the present scarcity. I am not at all surprised to hear that the fowls seem to have entirely run out it is a wonder to me how the supply is ever met. In the indigo factories where only fowls are eaten daily—and beef or mutton is a luxury—the demand for poultry is very large.

Let us allow each planter three fowls a day (I don't think many can manage on less than this), ninety fowls a month, 1,080 a year. At this average, which is the lowest, and taking 300 individuals, 3,24,000 fowls are consumed yearly—though really a great deal more than this—yet this necessary supply, for it means starvation to the planter without it, is left entirely in the hands of the natives.

Now as long as everything prospers with the native, his crops are good, and he is able to pay his rents without difficulty, he can manage to rear fowls as a side show, with a little profit to himself. But when his crops fail for three years running, his home is swamped and ruined by floods, his rents have to be paid just the same. What is he to do? Sell the cattle to pay the rents and live on the flesh of his fowls. I believe this is what must have happened following these three bad years of flood and famine we have had, for the scarcity of fowls in Behar, at the present moment, has never been known before. It is impossible to get a fowl for miles around, and we are just living on whatever we can get hold of.

The only thing in our favour is that the cold months are coming on and we shall be able to get a little beef and mutton. Had this scarcity come on in May and June we must have starved. Being miles away from any town it is utterly impossible to get meat when you have to send 30 miles for it in a scorching June sun. What makes the Government take so long to think over any improvement for the benefit of the people? Mr. Abbott has been quite two years trying to wake up the authorities to the serious outlook and diminishing supply. Yet we hear of not even a start being made. If fowls were imported now, and I should have thought the winter months the best time for doing so, it would be quite five years before any beneficial result would be gained in the markets. Why all this delay? If Government mean to take it up in the end why don't they stir themselves and begin at once? I am sure the improvement of poultry sounds a simple enough matter, yet it evidently requires a lot of thought. Thousands have been spent in trying to improve the cattle of the country, why not the poultry when they are a necessity to so many hundreds of people? When we can get fowls, look at the miserable little things they are, and they seem to be diminishing in size every year. I think Mr. Abbett's scheme a very sound one, he has himself been importing poultry for many years and selling them cheaply, thus enabling people to buy from imported stock and so slowly improve the ducks and fowls of the country; but in the present state of affairs we want wholesale improvement. We can't expect the efforts of one individual with no one to back him up to make much difference in a vast country like this. We want numbers of Government fowl stations where fowls are bred in thousands and spread broadcast into the empty gaps that are yawning to be filled.

If some sort of a start is not made very soon, we shall require kitchens in Behar for the hungry planted who are suffering from the Fowl Famine.

A DEPARTMENTAL Railway enquiry is beingheld, in connection with the recent Jetty fire at Chittagong.

MR. W. STANTIALL comes out as Secretary of the Railway Finance Sub-Committee, accompanying Sir James Mackay Sir Walter Lawrence and Mr. Brereton from home in December and thereafter going on tour to India with them.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway, for the week ending 31st August last, amounted to Rs. 3,526, being an increase on the corresponding week of the previous year of Rs. 229. The total earnings from 1st July to 31st August last were Rs. 35,735, being an increase on the corresponding period of the previous year of Rs. 6,118.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

TWENTY-FIVE BALE FUTURES CONTRACTS.

Cotton in Alsace.

INCREASING RAND PROFITS.

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

On Wednesday the Liverpool Cotton Association decided by a substantial majority to reject the proposal to legitimatise the trading under certain conditions, in 25-bale future contracts. Up to a recent date a certain amount of informal trading of this character was done by a few firms. A number of the small merchants made sales of, say 25 bales, part of 100 bales which were hedged. Not desirous of "selling short" even to the extent of 25 bales, and still less desiring to cover in his total hedge of 100 bales and put himself 75 bales "long," the merchant contracted with one of a few firms who specialised in this business and purchased 25 bales, promising to buy from that same firm at a future date, or dates, the balance of the 100 bales. When the four 25-bale lots had been covered an average price was struck, and the contracts practically exchanged for a new contract of 100 bales. Notwithstanding its apparent cumbersomeness, the business attained some small importance, and fulfilled a certain want among the small importers. But inasmuchas it was supposed in some fashion to threaten the legality of the ordinary futures contract and to savour of bucket-shop methods, the business was suspended pending the production of a properly legalised contract to meet the case, and also pending the submission of the whole matter to the decision of the members. Maturer consideration of the question in all its bearings has resulted in the rejection of the proposal. It is admitted that the proposed legislation would permit the small importer to keep covered within a 25-bale limit, whereas now he must frequently be 50 bales "long" or "short." To the spinner it practically matters little, because always in the past he has found the Liverpool importer willing either to sell him any—the smallest as well as largest—quantity of cotton, or, in the case of "call cotton," permit him to "call" his contract piecemeal and not necessarily all at one time. But the two arguments which chiefly led to the rejection of the proposal were, first, that the reduction of the contract unit belittled the business and was not necessary to the conduct of the trade in the large majority of cases, and secondly, that it might prove the thin end of the wedge of an undesirable kind of bucket-shop gambling in small quantities.

Makers of grey drills give more encouraging reports of the prospects of trade in their class of goods. The export branch shows some signs of revival, especially in the qualities that usually go to the Far East. Inquiries for staple makes for China are more numerous, although considerable difficulty is experienced in getting the business through in the present state of the market. The larger firms who spin their own yarn, and make well-known qualities of the better class of drills, seem to far to have secured the bulk of the limited orders that have already been placed. Goods made from about 18s. and 20's are still in a depressed condition, the comparatively low prices that have been recently realised in Shanghai for the lower grades of South Carolina and English drills giving no encouragement to shipping merchants to place further orders. The gradual depletion of the stocks of the higher priced American drills may perhaps increase the sales of Lancashire goods. Buyers for Bombay and Calcutta have business to place in the low-sized 26in. 40 yards drills, but the prices offered are much below cost. A small trade in the lighter makes for dyeing continues, and some makers of Florentine and satin drills for bleaching are moderately engaged for the Indian markets. Finished striped drills for Java are fairly active, but the ordinary grey qualities show no improvement. Manila drills in 24in. 27 yards are very dull, the shipments of these goods being principally sample bales.

The Chief Inspector of Factories for Alsace has just issued his report for 1906. He deals extensively with the cotton industry of the district and the hours of labour in the Spinning and Weaving Factories. There is a large increase in the number of women and children employed, and the tendency is towards the displacement of men in favour of women and of children under 16 years of age. There are now in the cotton mills 3,388 boys and 4,061 girls between 14 and 16 years of age, and 39 boys and 703 girls under the age of 14. The majority of the mills work 10 hours a day six days a week, but some of them still work 11 hours, or a 66-hour week. The longer hours are worked in Colmar, Genbwiller, and Mulhouse. A reduction of hours has recently been obtained in the ribbon industry of St. Louis, where the hours have been reduced from 66 to 60 per week. The

issued the following setimate of this year's harvest in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta:—Wheat, 82,222,000 bushels, or 16·4 bushels to the acre; oats 87,565,000 bushels, or 36·9 bushels, to the acre; barley 18,654,000 bushels, or 28·1 bushels to the acre; flax, 1,313,000 bushels, or 12·5 bushels to the acre. The problem of harvest help will probably be more acute this year than ever before. So far some 5,000 to 6,000 harvesters have arrived from Eastern Canada, whereas 20,000 at least are needed in Manitoba alone. This is one of the most serious problems Western farmers will have to meet. The average wages offered this year are dols.40 (£8) per month, or dols 2 (8s. 4d.) per working day.

Much impatient disappointment has been shown over the fact that the South African market shows no signs of an autumnal boom. But surely there is time yet. However, during the past few days the market has been staggering under the blow dealt by Lord St. Aldwyn in explaining the misfortunes of his bank. When we knew this undoubted authority as Sir Michael Hicks-Beach he was certainly not noted for his optimism, and his outspoken jeremiads are evidently to be continued in his less public sphere. His words imply that some of the big South African magnates and their houses are on the verge of bankruptcy, and if they were not intended to mean that, Lord St. Aldwyn owes it to the market and the public to say so and thus remove the anxiety that he has caused. Meantime the mining industry is making undoubted progress on the right lines, and an examination of intrinsic conditions certainly suggests that there is room for higher quotations in a number of instances. Comparison of the profits earned by the Witwatersrand companies last month in contrast with August 1906 shows that about 80 per cent. of the undertakings record increases. The most striking examples are the Angelo, whose profit for last month was 32,500*l.* as against 21,000*l.* for August 1906; the Crown Deep, with 30,000*l.* as against 19,000*l.*; Driefontein, 12,000*l.* against 4,500*l.*; Langlaagte Estate, 22,600*l.* against 12,600*l.*; Modderfontein, 11,500*l.* against 6,300*l.*; Robinson, 70,400*l.* against 55,400*l.*; Simmer and Jack, 50,200*l.* against 41,100*l.*; Witwatersrand Deep, 27,400*l.* against 18,000*l.* These gains are as a general rule the outcome of working with large equipment at a reduced ratio of expense. As regards these expenses, it is satisfactory to note that during the past twelve months the majority of the companies have been successful in economising to a very appreciable extent. In fact, at the present time something like one-third of the producing concerns are operating at an outlay of less than 1*l.* per ton of ore treated, and in a number of cases the figure is now as low as between 15*s.* and 16*s.*

Although at the current quotation New Modderfontein shares, of the nominal value of 4*l.* apiece, offer a yield of only about 7 per cent. on the basis of the two dividends paid for the past year, holders have every reason to be very well satisfied with their interest and with the annual report and accounts, which have lately reached them. For each of the two preceding years the profits only slightly exceeded 40,000*l.*, but for the past twelve months they reached just over 100,000*l.*, with the result that dividends of 4*s.* and 3*s.* per share respectively were distributed, absorbing 105,000*l.* The working profit realised was the largest recorded by the company in any one year, and the general manager states that the outlook for the current year is promising, as, "with the increased stamping capacity and adequate sands and slimes plants, the working costs should be reduced and the profits increased." The total ore developed in the mine is calculated at 1,789,000 tons, of an average assay value of 5·87 dwt. per ton, 4·86 dwt. being taken as representing the payable limit. In the preceeding annual report 6 dwt. was put as the limit of payability, but there has since been increased extraction and lessened cost, and it is calculated that the latter will not exceed an average of 21*s.* in the present year. The property is a very large one, and, with reserves equal to about seven years' milling at the rate attained in the past twelve months, the outlook for the New Modderfontein Company may certainly be regarded as satisfactory.

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"One day I noticed the report of a cure by Bile Beans of one who had been suffering like myself. I made up my mind at once to give Bile Beans a trial, and am glad I did so, for I found great relief. I kept on with Bile Beans until I was quite better. Since I have taken Bile Beans my general health has remained very good. As a precaution I always keep a box of Bile Beans in the house."

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SPORTING NEWS.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

Annual Sporting Meeting.

The seventeenth annual Sporting Meeting held under the auspices of the Bombay Gymkhana was commenced yesterday on the Marine Lines ground and will be continued to-day and Saturday. The Honorary Secretaries, Mr. Henderson Gray and Captain Pratt had arranged a programme of seven events, for every one of which there was a large number of entries, and some excellent sport was witnessed.

The officials consisted of gentlemen who had assisted at the weekly meetings of the mud sports. The present meeting is held under the patronage of the Governor of Bombay, the Hon. Mr. Justice Russell being the President. The Honorary Stewards are: Brigr.-Genl. R. M. Greenfield, Messrs. L. Barraclough, T. W. Birkett, R. W. L. Dunlop, Donald N. Graham, W. A. Haig Brown, James Murdoch, Lieut.-Col. W. H. E. Murray, Messrs R. M. Phillips, T. L. Roberts, A. C. Rumboll, Capt. Frank Rundle, Messrs. Heugh S. Symons, E. M. Webb and O. C. B. Wimbush; Messrs. R. W. L. Dunlop, R. M. Phillips and Captain Frank Rundle, doing the duties of the Judges. Messrs. A. C. Rumboll, T. W. Birkett and E. M. Webb, acting as Clerks of the Course. Mr. T. L. Roberts undertook the duties of Starter. Mr. O. C. B. Wimbush, as Clerk of the Scales, and Mr. T. W. Birkett, as Handicapper.

The programme was kept well up to the time and the items were punctually started. A very large number of ladies and gentlemen attended and the first day of the meeting passed most satisfactorily. The music was provided by the Band of the G. I. P. Railway Volunteers.

The individual tent-pegging drew no less than eighteen entries and the competitors for Jumping numbered more than a dozen. The postilion race which was arranged to be run in three heats had to be run in two heats only as the four competitors of the third heat did not compete. The Lloyd-Lindsay fetched seven teams and was keenly competed for, but the changes in the members of the teams some, what puzzled the spectators who altogether depended on the names given in the programme. The Covent Gardens Stakes, which was the only ladies' nomination, had secured no less than 19 entries. The Horse Scurry handicap was very keenly contested, the results proving the allowances very accurate. Mr. Moore's De Wet won with 20 yds. allowance, the second had received 50 yds. while the third one had run scrach. The Balaclava Melee was the last event and though the card showed 7 entries, three scratched. A "New Lot" was a post entry and thus five teams contested, a Bombay Light Horse team securing the first place.

TENT-PEGGING.

This was a competition for individual tent-pegging (horses).

Mr. J. R. Hill	1
Mr. Thos. D. Moore	2
Capt. G. W. C. Lucas	3

Also entered:—Alister Forbes, J. Henderson Gray, B. Stanley Carter, A. D. Shanks, Capt. A. C. Pratt, E. M. Webb, A. S. A. Westropp, P. Clare, T. Lawson Roberts, C. N. Moberly, Capt. C. A. F. Hocken, R. E. H. Griffith, A. M. C. Hewat, J. St. J. Graham and E. C. Griffin.

The competitors were given one turn each and those who had picked the peg were required to try the second time. Mr. Hill had a very decent pick up on both the occasions; the second and the third did not drop the peg on the second occasion, but the "take" was so graceful and easy on the part of Mr. Hill.

JUMPING COMPETITION FOR PONIES.

The competitors were required to go over a brush fence, a wall (made of piles of sand-bags) and a gate.

Mr. B. D. Richards' Bacchus	1
Mr. F. R. Hill's Billy	2
Mr. L. Barraclough's Donald	3

Also entered:—H. G. W. Meikle's Grand Slam, Thos. D. Moore's Kitty, T. Lawson Roberts' Chortler, R. E. H. Griffith's Hannibal, Capt. G. W. C. Lucas, Deputy, M. N. Hogg's Kaffir, G. D. Rice's Jim, J. St. J. Graham's Amir, A. M. C. Hewat's Little Billy and J. St. J. Graham's White Fox.

THE POSTILLION RACE.

In this race the competitors were required to ride one and lead another horse.

Captain Pratt	1
Mr. Thos D. Moore	2
Mr. E. G. Pearson	3

Also competed: Mr. T. L. Roberts, Mr. C. Edwards and Mr. A. D. Shanks.

There being eleven entries for this event it was originally arranged to run it in three heats, but Messrs. Moberly, Saxby, R. E. H. Griffith and Captain Lucas and Mr. Hill having scratched, it was only run in two heats.

Captain Pratt and Mr. Shanks, of the first heat, and Mr. Moore and Pearson, of the second heat, competed for the final; Captain Pratt winning by several lengths.

LLOYD-LINDSAY.

In this event the compering teams had to ride a given course over two jumps; they had then to dismount in alternate half sections, each half section having to knock two cocoanuts off the posts, the team doing all this in shortest time to win. Points were deducted for bad style and dressing.

FREEBOOTERS.

Thos. D. Moore Capt. A. C. Pratt. J. M. C. Scott. L. Barraclough.	1.

NONDESCRIPTS.—

A. S. A. Westropp. Capt. C. A. F. Hocken. F. R. Hill. E. G. Griffin.	2.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE PONY TROOP.

D. Wilson, Saxby. Richards. H. Primrose Wells.	3.

Also competed: Bombay Light Horse No. 1 Team—A. E. Baird, Pearson, E. C. Reid and Seeton. Bombay Light Horse No. 2 Team—A. D. Shanks, P. Clare, A. H. Byrt, and Retallack.

Corsairs—B. S. Carter, E. H. Curling, T. S. Gregson and R. A. Spence.

Wanderers—Capt. G. W. C. Lucas, R. E. H. Griffith, T. Lawson Roberts and Alister Forbes.

COVENT GARDEN STAKES.

This was a Ladies' Nomination race in which the competitors at the starting post were given a list of fruit and vegetables. They then rode a given course to where tables were placed bearing the fruit and vegetables, presided over by the ladies. Each competitor had to present his order to his nominatrix, who was required to place the articles required in his haversack. He then had to return over the same course. First in with correct articles was the winner.

A. S. A. Westropp, nominated by Mrs. Westropp	1
F. R. Hill, nominated by Mrs. Moir	2
A. E. Baird, nominated by Mrs. Milne	3

Also entered:—R. A. Spence, nominated by Miss Spence; B. Stanley Carter, nominated by Mrs. Monk; A. D. Shanks, nominated by Mrs. Shanks; Thos. D. Moore, nominated by Mrs. McCausland; R. W. Fisher, H. G. W. Meikle, nominated by Miss Russell; J. M. C. Scott, nominated by Miss Protheroe; E. H. Curling, P. Clare, W. E. Holl, P. Edwards, H. B. Saxby; M. N. Hogg, nominated by Miss Wallis; G. D. Rice, nominated by Mrs. Rice; H. C. Buckle, and F. A. H. East.

HORSE SCURRY (HANDICAP).

For all horses that had never won a race of any description of the declared value of Rs. 50 or over, and that had competed but not necessarily raced at the Sports during the season. Distance Handicap. Catchweights over 12 st.

Thos. D. Moore's b aus g DeWet (2) yds.)	1
A. M. C. Hewat's b aus g Dachshund (50 yds.)	2
W. F. Rutherford's ch aus g Teacher (Scratch)	3

Also ran:—B. Stanley Carter's b aus g Firefly (30 yds.), F. R. Hill's br aus g Archie (5 yds.), E. G. Pearson's b aus g Prince (40 yds), P. H. Retallack's ch aus g The Kid (40 yds).

BALACLAVA MELEE

In this competition the teams assembled (dismounted) at Judges' table. The first two teams were provided with jackets, masks, and singlesticks. Masks carried cockades of different colours. The competitors then mounted, and on the word 'attack' each advanced and endeavoured to strike off his adversary's plume. Each competitor had to retire when plume was knocked off or when he was driven out of the arena. The team with last man left in with plume was to win.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE, NO. 2 TEAM.

A. D. Shanks P. Clare E. G. Pearson W. E. Holl	1

THE VISITORS.

A. M. C. Hewat H. C. Buckle G. D. Rice A. N. Other	2

NEW LOT.

Capt. Pratt T. D. Moore E. C. Griffin J. M. C. Scott	3

ALSO COMPETED:—CORSAIRS—(B. S. Carter, E. H. Curling, T. S. Gregson and R. A. Spence.) Bombay Light Horse Pony Troop—(D Wilson, Capt. Rice, E. M. Webb and H. Primrose Wells.)

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

4 p.m.—Tent-pegging. Ponies.
4-20 p.m.—Jumping. Horses.
4-40 p.m.—Section Tent-pegging.
4-55 p.m.—Potato-spearing Stakes.
5-15 p.m.—V. C. Race.
5-30 p.m—Pony Scurry Handicap.
5-45 p.m.—Affinity Race. Tennis Ball on Racquet.
6 p.m.—Chattie Race.

POONA RACES.

XIth Extra Meeting.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, OCTOBER 16.

Excellent sport was witnessed this afternoon with a card of seven events, but the results were no more to the benefit of the punters than was the case on the last two occasions. It was another day of bad upsets. The two divisions of the Small Arab Consolation Plates were gifts to outsiders. Herricul and Squire priced at sixes and eights against respectively and yet another 8 to 1 chance Amood annexed the Newcomers Handicap after a close race with Dhafer, a head being the verdict in his favour. The Khandalla Handicap was also wrested from the favourite Spearmint by in outsider Moonib Pasha. The Dussera Plate provided a grand finish between the public nominee, Posco, Prince Lyon and Admiral Crichton all the three running great races and were separated at the winning post by necks. Let Go followed Posco's example and won the closed race for the public, while in the last race the odds on the favourite Zir was beaten by two to one chance Little Toy in an excited finish by a neck. Though the day was a very sultry one there was a good gathering of sportsmen on the course and those present to-day had little cause to congratulate themselves. The last meeting of the season takes place on Saturday and with it closes the third and final part of the Poona racing season. The following are the details:—

FIRST SMALL ARAB CONSOLATION PATE.

Mr. Ali bin Talib's Herricul 8st. 3lbs. .....Heeroo 1
Mr. Adil's Dumra 8st. 4lbs.....J. Taylor 2
Mr. M. A. Khan's Nooman 9st. 3lbs.....F. Williams 3
Mr. Runchordass Engine 7st. 3lbs.....Mujeed 4

Also ran.—Lender 7st. 12lbs., Lucky Shot 7st. 7lbs., Mamdar 7st. Patna 6st. 10lbs. carried 7st. 2lbs, Mufrud 6st. 7lbs, carried 7st., Makbul 6st 7lbs. carried 6lbs. 11lbs., Funghaballagh 6st. carried 6st. 11lbs.

Betting.—2 to 1 on Salaanic 6 to 1 against Herricul, 7 to 1 Engine, 8 to 1 Dumra and Lucky Shot and any price the others.

The Race.—Salaanic was quickest out of the gate and led Engine and Lucky Shot to the three furlongs where Herricul displaced Lucky Shot. At the bend Herricul under whip came up to the leader and was Level at the straight. Then at the distance it overhauled the leader and making for home won comfortably by one and quarter lengths. Dumra coming with a late run secured second place one and a quarter lengths in front of Salaanic. Time—1 min. 8 2/5 secs.

(Winner trained by C. B. Mahomed.)

SECOND SMALL ARAB CONSOLATION PLATE.

(Same terms as first.)

Mr. Adil's Squire 7st. 6lbs.....Mujeed 1
Mr. Avasia's Sabig 7st. 10lbs.....J. Killorn 2
Mr. Hajee Sulleman's Goucho 8st. 2lbs.....Yussuff 3
Messrs. Goculdas and Nanjee's Vedas 9st. 12lbs. Robinson 4

Also ran:—Mudjool 8st 13lbs, Burhan 8st, Glass 7st 9lbs, Koomash 7st 11b, Wadi 6st 9lbs (carried 6st 12lbs,) Kabil 6st 8lbs (carried 6st 9lbs.)

Betting.—2 to 1 against Mudjool, 3 to 1 Burhan, 4 to 1 Sabig, 6 to 1 Vedas and Glass, 7 to 1 Gaucho and Wadi, 8 to 1 Squire, 12 to 1 the others.

The Race.—Glass showed out at the head of the field for a furlong and a half, then Vedas led Burhan and Sabig to the bend, where Squire and Gaucho began to come up. Up the straight Sabig was in the lead; then Gaucho came up to dispute it, and up the distance Squire put in a strong challenge and after a good race home between him and Sabig he won by half a length; one and a half lengths second and third; one and a half lengths third and fourth. Time.—1 min 11 3/5 secs.

(Winner trained by Fazad bin Saif.)

NEWCOMERS HANDICAP.

Mr. Khafil Dore's Amood 7st, 12lbs.....Southal 1
Mr. Hussein Obayed's Dhafer 8st. 5lbs. carried 8st. 7lbs.....F. Williams 2
Mr. Muhomed Bakar's Kawakib 7st 0lbs. Carried 7st 2lbs.....Yussuff 3
Mr. Dawood Essack's Moscow 7st. 2lbs .....J. Killorn 4

Also ran:—Bakhtayari 8st. 12lbs, Rashad 8st. 8lbs, Dhamas 8st. 3lbs, Idbas 9st. 11bs., Elector 7st 11lbs., Eedan 8st. 3lbs.

Betting:—6 to 4 against Moscow. 5 to 2 Dhafer, 4 to 1 Rashad, 6 to 1 Idbas, 7 to 1 Elector, 8 to 1 Amood and 10 to 1 the others.

The Race.—Bukthayari got off badly at the start in which Moscow led Eedan, Dhafer and Kawakib to the three furlongs where Dhafer took charge and at the straight he was still in front. Up the distance Amood came with a strong run and after a splendid race between him and Dhafer Amood secured the verdict by a head. One and a half lengths second and third. Time —1 min. 39 4/5 secs.

(Winner trained by Fabu l bin Saif.)

KHANDALLA HANDICAP.

Mr Graham's Moonib Pasha 7st 6lbs ..... A Hoyt 1
Mr Runchordass' Spearmint 8st .....Southall 2
Mr Ali bin Talib's Eed 8st 4lbs.....Heeroo 3
Messrs Muhomed and Saif's Moorced 7st carried 7st 1lb .....Yusuff 4

Also ran.—Alma 9st. 6lbs. Tachroct 8st. 8lbs King Cobweb 7st. 7lbs. Antica 7st. 4lbs. Skylark 7st. 3lbs. Koursaib 6st 8lbs.

Betting.—5 to 2 against Spearmint 3 to 1 Tachroct 4 to 1 Eed, 5 to 1 Moonib Pasha, 6 to 1 Skylark and Moorced 10 to 1 and 20 to 1 the others.

The Race.—Koursaihb and Antica got off at the head of the field and they soon took a six length lead of the rest. At the six furlongs it was, however, reduced to three lengths and at the half mile Skylark came into third place. At the three furlongs Koursaib fell back and Antica led Skylark to the bend, Here the leader slowed out and Skylark and Eed led for home. At the straight Skylark wasted away and Spearmint joined Eed and the pair with the former in a slight lead were making for home when on the outside Moonib Pasha came rushing in and overhauling the leaders in front of the tents he won by half a length. Three-quarters second and third; length third and fourth. Time.—2min. 23 3-5 secs.

(Winner trained by W Mumford).

DUSSERA PLATE.

R R. S' Posco 10st 3lbs, ...F Williams 1
Mr Jiji's Prince Lyon 8st.....Molsom 2
H H Aga Khan and Aga Shah's Admiral Crichton 8st 5lbs.....Robinson 3
Mr Avasia's Preparation 8st 5lbs.....Tronowoth 4

Also ran:—Epitome 8st 9lbs, St. Patrick 8st 4lbs, Forfeit 7st, Chevalier 6st 4lbs, carried 6st 8lbs.

Betting:—6 to 4 against Posco, 5 to 2 Preparation, 4 to 1 St. Patrick and Admiral Chrichton, 7 to 1 Prince Lyon, 10 to 1 Epitome and fifteens the others.

The Race.—From a good start Posco led Admiral Crichton to the half mile where St. Patrick came to the front and taking a lead raced to the bend where Admiral Crichton took charge with Preparation close up. Up the straight Prince Lyon came up with a fine run and he with Admiral Crichton, was making a great race home when half the way up the distance Posco on the outside came with a determined challenge and after a splendid struggle between the three Posco won by a neck. Same distance separated Prince Lyon and Admiral Crichton. Time.—1 min 16 secs.

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

CLOSED RACE CLUB PLATE.

Major Leslie's Let Go 9st 10lbs (cd 10st 6lbs)...Southal 1
Capt Winter's Whirlwind 10st .....Owner 2
Messrs Plaff and Rommell's Deemar 11st 7lbs. Mr Rommell 3

Betting:—7 to 4 on Let Go, 2 to 1 against Whirlwind, to 1 Deemar.

The Race.—Deemar showed out in front for a while; then Let Go took the lead from Whirlwind with Deemar last. Maintaining his front position Let Go won by half a length; four lengths second and third. Time—1min. 27 2-5secs.

Winner trained by Ali Mahomed.

AUCTION PLATE.

Messrs. Goculdas, and Nanjee's Little Toy (Rs. 800) 7st 6lbs.....A Hoyt 1
Mr Mukdesi Abdoola's Zir (Rs. 500) 8st 11b...J Taylor 2
Messrs Saif and Gany's Nasrat (Rs. 600) 7st ...Yusuff 3

Betting.—2 to 1 on Zir, 2 to 1 against Little Toy, 5 to 1 Nasrat.

The Race.—They raced in a bunch for two furlongs Zir showing out only by a head in front. At the three furlongs, he however, held a quarter length lead from Little Toy. Passing the bend in the same order an exciting race between them up the distance followed in which Hoyt secured the verdict by a neck. Six lengths second and third. Time—1 min. 12 secs.

Winner trained by C. Bleach.

Winner bought in for Rs. 1,150.

HARRIS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

Worcesters Win the Finals.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, OCTOBER 16.

The finals in the Harris Football Tournament were played to-day between the Royal Scots who defeated the East Lancs in the Semi-final and the Worcesters from Ahmednagar who wiped out the Liverpools from Nasseerabad. Anticipation went strongly in favour of the Scots, but the result was surprising. The Worcesters played a marvellously good game, although their tactics were infinitely inferior to the Scots who had the worst of luck from the beginning to the end. In the first half the Worcesters scored a goal leaving the Scots with a blank sheet. In the second half neither side found an opportunity to score and accordingly after a great struggle for victory the Worcesters won the game and the Tournament by one goal to love.

Brigadier-General Swann, Commanding Poona Brigade, presented the Cup to the winners and, in doing so, made a neat speech.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, OCTOBER 16.

The Depression in the Bay, is still off the North Madras Coast, where it has given moderate to heavy rain, but has not developed appreciably, and is not likely to move for to-day. In the extreme North of India the cloud has increased and this, together with a fall of pressure in Kashmir, indicates the weather is becoming disturbed in that region. In Burma nearly general but light rain has fallen. At Tenasserim the skies are lightly to moderately clouded and the humidity and temperature are normal. In North-east India and Orissa, Balasore reports one and a half inches of rain, light cloud is spread over the greater part of the division. The humidity and temperature differ by only small amounts from normal. In the United Provinces the Central India and the Central Provinces the cloud has increased and the skies are now lightly clouded over the greater part of the division and the air remains drier than usual. The temperature is normal or in excess. In the North-West India the skies are clouded in some stations in the extreme north, but clear elsewhere. The humidity was decreased by large amounts in Sind and is considerably below normal there and in the adjacent districts to the north but is still above normal in Gujarat. The Temperature is approximately normal. In the Peninsula the rainfall has been nearly general, on the North Madras Coast a few falls occurred in other parts of the Peninsula. Gopalpur records four inches, Waltair two and Cocanada a half. The skies are thickly clouded on the North Madras Coast and clear or lightly clouded elsewhere. The air is considerably drier than usual in the Deccan, and South-east Madras. The Temperature is low in the area of rainfall on the North Madras Coast, normal in the western districts, and in excess in the remainder of the Division. The forecast gives nearly general rain as probable in the North Madras Coast, local rain in Lower Burma and a few falls in Deltaic Bengal, Orissa and South India.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 16TH OCTOBER.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Wednesday, the 16th October, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

Punjab.—No rain has fallen. Calms and easterly or south-easterly winds prevail generally. The sky is moderately clouded at Lahore, and is clear elsewhere. Maximum temperature was 5° hotter than usual at Delhi and the minimum 8° at Lahore. Humidity is slightly less than usual.

United Provinces.—This district has been rainless. The wind direction was calm throughout the district. The sky is cloudy at Allahabad, but is almost clear elsewhere. Yesterday's maximum was 5° to 7° higher than usual and last night's minimum was 5° to 7° higher at Jhansi. The air is damper than usual at Jhansi and moderately drier in other places.

Sind and Rajputana.—These districts have been rainless. Calms and north-easterly winds prevail in Rajputana, while northerly winds are blowing in Sind. The sky is free from clouds. The variations of both maximum and minimum are small and the saturation in the atmosphere is moderately less than usual in Rajputana and largely so at Karachi.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—These districts have been rainless. Winds are southerly at Surat and Deesa, while westerly or north-westerly winds prevail at most other stations. The sky is almost clear or is lightly clouded. The day temperature is 2° to 6° higher at several of the reporting stations, and last night's minimum was 4° higher at Rajkot, Neemuch and Indore. The air is slightly drier than usual at Surat and Indore, but is unusually damp in other places.

Central Provinces.—There has been no rain in this district. Winds are variable in direction being north easterly to south-easterly at Jubbulpore, Raipur and Amraoti south-westerly at Saugor and north-westerly at Khandwa, Akola and Nagpur. Hoshangabad recorded calm. The sky is almost clear at Jubbulpore Nagpur and Raipur, but is lightly or moderately clouded elsewhere. Weather during the day time was 3° to 9° warmer than usual throughout this district, and last night's minimum was 6° higher at Hoshangabad. There is nearly the usual amount of moisture in the atmosphere at Raipur but elsewhere the air is considerably drier than usual.

Konkan.—Except for a few drops at Mormugao, there has been no rain at any station along the Konkan Coast. Winds are south-easterly at Bombay and Ratnagiri and northerly at Karwar. Mormugao recorded calm. The sky is lightly or moderately clouded at Bombay, Mormugao and Karwar. The temperature and humidity are both about normal.

Bombay, Deccan and Hyderabad.—Rain amounting to a quarter of an inch has fallen at Belgaum. Calms and north-westerly winds prevail generally. The sky is almost clear at Malegaon and Aurangabad and is more or less cloudy in other places. Maximum temperature is 6° to 9° hotter than usual at Malegaon, Ahmednagar Poona, Sholapur and Bijapur and the air is damper than usual at Poona and Belgaum and more or less dry in other places.

General Remarks.—Weather is likely to become more or less cloudy in the Konkan, the Central Provinces and over Bombay, Deccan and Hyderabad where weather depends much on the development of slightly disturbed weather conditions off Masulipatam in the Bay.

STANDARD BAROMETER READINGS.

The reading of the barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32 deg. F. and for Calcutta standard at 8 a.m. (local time) on the 16th October was 29·908. The height of tide in the stream above zero of the tide gauge at Apollo Bunder was 13ft. at 8 a.m. (local time). The temperature correction for a mercurial barometer supposing the reading to be 30·00 and that of attached thermometer 80 deg. F. will be 14 and this will be higher or lower by 01 for each 4 deg. In the case of aneroid no temperature correction is required. Should the height of barometer cistern, either mercurial or aneroid, above zero of tide gauge be different from 47 feet it will read higher or lower by 01 for each 11 feet. The readings given above are distinct from those given in the daily weather report to which different corrections have been applied.

S. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India

THE LADIES' CORNER.

DAINTY TEA GOWNS.

I have never seen more lovely garments than the tea-gowns prepared for Princess Marie's trousseau, writes the lady correspondent, the first part of whose letter we published yesterday, she is specially fond of fine lace, and many of the gowns in question were composed entirely of the fragile material—several laces being used on the same robe. All the tea-gowns, I think without exception, were mounted on under-dresses of crepe de Chine or of chiffon. Crepe de Chine is taking the place of chiffon as a lining for very fine lace robes, and with excellent effects; it hangs in softer folds than chiffon and gives a subtle glimmer of very dull silk through the cobwet meshes. A famous dressmaker of Paris recently told me that she considered crepe de Chine the ideal material for under-dresses to be worn with lace robes, but that she always veiled the crepe with tulle. I do not quite see what she gained by this combination of material, but she is one of the cleverest dressmakers in Paris, and everything she does has a foundation of reason. The delicate shade of very pale blue, which is to be seen in some hydrangeas, is evidently a favourite with the Princess: this colour makes its appearance on several of the more costly tea gowns—on one in the shape of a picturesque sash of crepe de Chine, with embroidered ends, and on another in the form of flat chous made of soft satin ribbons. All the tea-gowns in this trousseau are notable for simplicity combined with luxury; there was no glitter of embroideries adorned with paillettes or tiny jewels, but quantities of priceless lace were used, and there were some embroideries in self-colours intermingled with silver threads—the latter used most discreetly—which commanded instant admiration.

GREEK VERSUS EMPIRE.

Even though the young bride-elect is descended from the great Napoleon—her father being grandson to Prince Lucien, the younger brother of the famous man—she evidently does not intend to perpetuate the mode Empire. One or two of her evening gowns showed the short waisted effect, at the back, in a modified way, but I did not see any robe which could be called pure Empire. On the other hand, there were several dinner gowns which recalled the draperies of Aphrodite—at the Opera Comique! It is positively asserted that Greek modes will be in great favour in the coming winter, and I believe there is much truth in the report; already we find the big dressmakers draping their elaborate toilettes in a manner which distinctly recalls the peplum, and, as I have already said, some of Princess Marie's gowns were fashioned in this graceful style. This was notably the case with a costume of oyster-white crepe de Chine and palest peach-coloured Liberty satin; the latter material was used for the trailing under-dress—which was untrimmed—and draperies in the Greek style were worn over it, and were exquisitely embroidered in pale gold and seed pearls. The bodice was without sleeves, but there was a length of crepe de Chine lightly attached to the arms by bands of satin ribbons and a trellework of seed pearls. A second evening dress—also in Greek style—was made of heliotrope crepe de Chine, in two shades. On this dress there were no embroideries, but some lovely Mechlin lace was arranged in cross-over style at the front of the bodice.

WINTER FROCKS FROM AUTUMN NOVELTIES.

To the average woman autumn is a tradition that she cannot afford to recognise, writes Miss Evelyn Sharp in the "Manchester Guardian." The shopman knows this; and although he tries to assume every September that we all shoot grouse and must therefore dress in hairy tweed decorated with large buttons and leather, he is perfectly aware really that the majority of us never go near the moors at all, that we have to return to town in September, and that we usually spend that sporting month in the enjoyment of belated summer weather that was entirely absent during our summer holiday. The average woman wears her summer frocks in the autumn until the temperature forces her to wear a winter one; and it is useless to expect her to buy the characteristic autumn costume, with its bunch of heather, that lies in the shop window, because for her there are only two seasons in the year and the next one on the list is winter. It is in order to give the average woman something to buy out of the season and at the same time to assure the wealthy woman that he really knows there are four seasons in the year, that the shopman collects all the materials that have ever been invented, gives them all sorts of new names, and makes them into little heaps in his window under the comprehensive title of autumn novelties. Sometimes he adds the word "exclusive" in the vague hope, I suppose, that someone may guess what he means by it. And the average woman takes advantage of his annual and transparent device and chooses her winter frock from among the autumn novelties, and if she is wise as well as kind gives it to the dressmaker to make before she is overwhelmed with orders.

The shop window has given us, apparently, many new materials to choose from this year. I must confess that I do not see anything really new in hopsack, serge or habit cloth, and every material I have so far discovered might be classed under one of these three heads. Still, in ordering by post it is sometimes convenient to make use of a more distinctive term and to call our familiar blue serge, for instance, by the magnificent if meaningless name of Shantung coating, or Pekin diagonal, or something like that—and it happily makes no difference to the blue serge. Plain cloth, too, has many new pseudonyms this autumn, the most unconsciously humorous being, perhaps "chiffon Amazon" and striped velveteen has taken a new lease of popularity by calling itself "corduroy silkoid," disregarding the fact that this sounds more like a microbe than a really frivolous dress material. Colours seem to undergo yearly the same verbal changes. There is a certain shade, hovering between brown and grey, that, after being known for many years as fawn colour, has recently been called in two successive seasons mole and elephant, and now, having presumably exhausted the resources of the animal kingdom, reappears as petrol. I think it is rather a pity, from a selling point of view, that the unscrupulous inventors of shop-window dialect did not in this instance leave the mineral kingdom alone. One never knows what may follow from a dangerous precedent of this kind; next year the new colour may be paraffin.

Striped broadcloth is a material that has some claim to be called new; it is a fine cloth with a satin finish, generally to be found in subdued shades, so that the stripes, which are half an inch wide, are only just distinguishable. A tall woman with a shapely figure would look well in a walking costume of striped broadcloth made in the form of a coat and skirt, the former long and closefitting, the latter plain and gored. Striped winter materials only look well, I think, in this short of tailor-made outdoor costume, and are not to be recommended for indoor frocks; that is probably the reason why most of the new stuffs are in plain colours, though the surface is in many of them broken up by stripes woven, diagonally or in other ways, in the fabric itself.

One of the greatest difficulties that always face the woman who cannot afford many clothes is a climate that varies from day to day and pays no real heed to the season of the year. Her winter frock must therefore effect a compromise between warmth and coolness, and, if possible, attain either temperature on occasion. It is a good plan, I think, to order a whole dress and a coat in the same material. The dress, if carefully designed, can be worn without the coat until colder weather sets in; while the coat, not being too heavily lined, will serve as a light wrap before the real winter comes. When it ceases to be sufficiently warm a fur coat may in some cases be substituted, or where this is impossible the same coat may be relined, a piece of chamois leather being sewn between the lining and the material on the outside of each sleeve, down the middle of the back, and in each front breadth. This is a method adopted in Canada, and is said to produce greater warmth than fur. Of course those women who are not afraid of being too warm during the early days of winter can line their coat thickly to begin with.

To make the frock an outdoor one in appearance a kind of coat bodice should be chosen. I saw a charming one the other day, in a beautiful shade of dark lavender blue cashmere; it was cut into a small pointed opening at the throat, showing a fine muslin chemisette, and then fell in natural folds into a belt of soft kid in the same colour. The sleeves were threequarter length, and turned back with cuffs of the kid; and a lace collar, not more than two inches wide, was laid round the edge of the bodice, not meeting in front but finished with knot of ribbon shading in colour with the material. The skirt just cleared the ground, and was cased, scarcely gathered, into the waistband; three small tucks, less than an inch in width, were placed round the hem. The coat to be worn with this was sac-shaped, shorter behind than in front, with long sleeves; it was double-breasted, and fastened with large buttons covered with the kid. This would naturally be a costume to be worn on fine days and on rather more important occasions than those of every-day; but it would not necessarily be expensive to make, and it would wear as well as many a more useful-looking frock. The same idea could be carried out admirably in green or brown cloth or serge, both being colours of which there are many shades to choose from this autumn. The skirt could not in the thicker cloth be gathered, but might be tucked from the waist downwards for about six inches and then left to hang loose; these narrow, definite tucks might appear also on the bodice in the place of the folds of material, and stitched strappings of the serge or lines of braid could edge the opening at the throat instead of the lace collar. If the latter is dispensed with, a very pretty way

MEN AND MATTERS.

ON SPEYSIDE.

The King's visit to Tulchan was marked by some typically Highland observances. Can you picture a crowd of English peasants drinking a health unto his Majesty around a bonfire at midnight, encouraged by the example of their spiritual leader? I trow not. The health might be drunk, but hardly amid the wild hills which a harvest moon made just visible, with the moor and mountain breezes blowing against eager radiant faces. And what English woman of ninety years would make her way across the rough valley as Mrs. Grant did to set a torch to the welcoming pile? The incantation beforehand was uttered in soft Gaelic, and bade a "Welcome to the King, his children, and grand children. One hundred thousand welcomes to Strathspey, the land of the mountains, the glens, and the heroes. And may God be with him." The remainder of the night was spent in dancing in the street, to the music of violin and bagpipes.

THE THREE ENGLISH EDWARDS AT BADENOCH.

I wonder if anyone has told the King of Peacemakers that he is the third English Edward upon whom the frowning hills of Badenoch have looked down? It is an out-of-the-world spot, and sombre and solitary in its grandeur, but where Edward the Seventh brought smiles and words of gracious greeting, and arms only uplifted in harmless sport, the First and the Third Edwards brought fire and sword and the cry of spare not. They made their headquarters on the island in Loch-an-Dorb, were the ruins of their fortress were seen by their successor on the throne as he rode warily after grouse and hare on his sturdy Highland pony. Who could have thought in those old days that the Saxon monarch would spend a contemplative noon among the moors and hills and dark waters, carefully abstaining from shooting because his entertainers were keeping the Jewish Day of Atonement in silence and fasting!

FAIR LADIES AMONG THE HEATHER.

At Tulchan, as elsewhere, the King was an early riser. The hardest day on the moors did not serve to keep him abed after seven next morning, and he was in telegraphic communication with Buckingham Palace and had polished off correspondence and "batches of political despatches" before the other guests met at breakfast. But activity was the keynote of life all round at Tulchan. Mrs. Sassoon and the ladies of her party would start off at midday in search of the luncheon venue, and she and Lady Ilchester and Mrs. George Keppel were to be encountered tramping gaily and steadily over the roughest heather-up the steepest hills, their escort a black retriever and the pony ridden by Lady Sarah Wilson. Their costumes were of a beautiful simplicity: washing "shirt-waists," short tweed skirts, boots of the stoutest, and motor caps, and they put miles behind them in a manner and with a speed almost unbelievable to those who only know them in town and trailing draperies.

GOLDEN FLOWERS AND OLD HORSE-SHOES.

Billiards are always as popular at Tulchan as bridge, and the quartet of ladies play as well as any of the men, and spent much time last week in the big, many billiard-room on the ground-floor that looks into Mrs. Arthur Sassoon's garden. Mrs. Sassoon has a marked preference for yellow flowers, and her pleasance in the Spey Valley is ablaze just now with marigolds and giant sunflowers that show up splendidly among the pines. The rooms at Tulchan are all immensely comfortable, but anything in the nature of town opulence is banished. London ways assuredly strike a jarring note in a land where one looks out upon scenery that haunts the exile in dying. A greatly prized possession at Tulchan Lodge is the bundle of worn horse shoes that hangs on the entrance door. There are between twenty and thirty of them, and it is a proud day for a guest at Tulchan when he or she picks up the discarded footwear of a horse. The King himself and the Prince of Wales have been known to triumphantly deposit iron relics on the door.

NEWEST MAJOR-GENERAL.

A whole library of novels of adventure could be filled with episodes taken from the romantic and adventurous career of Sir Rudolph Baron von Slatin Pasha, K.C.M.G., C.B., to whom the King has just granted the honorary rank of major-general in the British Army. During the thrilling period when the British forces were driving away the last remnants of Mahdism, Slatin Pasha, the "Hammer of the Arabs" as he was called, whose life which seemed hardly worth a farthing's purchase, the gallant Austrian has lived to celebrate his jubilee this year and to receive honours and orders which hang like a veritable armoury upon his breast.

THE TWENTY-SEVEN BATTLES.

What a life of miracles his has been! After a brief period in the Austrian army he paid a visit to the Sudan, where General Gordon's keen eye at once singled him out for service against the Mahdi. As Governor of Dongola he won his title of the "Hammer of the Arabs," owing to his many victories over the turbulent tribes. He fought twenty-seven battles, spent days at a stretch in the saddle, and killed the Arabs by thousands. At length he refused to surrender to the Mahdi, and the next twelve years were spent in the cruellest slavery it is possible to imagine—worked like a horse, made sport of, and not killed only because death was considered too merciful for him.

THE PRISON TO WINDSOR CASTLE.

At one time poor Slatin was loaded with irons, and on suspicion, made to endure prolonged humiliation and torture. The appalling sights he witnessed are graphically portrayed in his book, "Fire and Sword in the Sudan." Nothing in modern history is more absorbing than the story of Slatin's captivity, the beheading of friends and his final escape from the fanatics. When he came to England, after still further perils, Queen Victoria sent for him, to hear from his own lips of the years he had passed—a strange transformation truly, from prisoner of the Khalifa in the dens of Omdurman to honoured guest, at Windsor, of the Sovereign of the British Empire!

WHO HAS NOT MARRIED.

On his escape he accompanied the British troops, as adviser in the Egyptian army, in the campaigns of Dongola, the Atbara, and Omdurman. His hardiness was the wonder of all his fellows. During a skirmish he had the misfortune to have one of his fingers disabled by a bullet, whereupon, rather than bother about having it seen properly set, he promptly placed it on the nearest rock and hacked it off with his sword "because it waggled and got in the way." Although Slatin Pasha is an extraordinarily handsome man—erect, graceful with keen eyes and bristling moustache—he has remained a bachelor. On his return from Egypt there were constant reports that he was about to be married. He had, and has, a standing reply to all inquiries on the subject: "Married? No, thank you! I have had enough slavery! I have been a prisoner for fourteen years. Never again, never!"

THE MAN WHO WOULD BEAUTIFY LONDON.

Sir William Blake Richmond, K.C.B., whose campaign on the smoke nuisance at the Sanitary Inspectors' Conference at Llandudno the other day caused so much interest, is one of the most enthusiastic workers for cleaner and more picturesque London. The grime and smoke-begrimed houses of our big cities are abhorrent to him, and if people would only follow his advice we should live in a very paradise of natural beauty, and the grim, dark alleys of the East End would exist no more. From his very earliest years Sir William was an artist to his finger tips, and delighted ever building castles in the air. He has often told the story of how when a small boy he would sit in St. Paul's Cathedral and gaze up at the glittering dome wondering if it would ever be his task to make that vast vault glitter with gold and silver and white." How strangely this childish dream was realised is now a matter of history. Sir William was born in 1843, and almost as soon as he was old enough to think at all had fully decided to become an artist. He studied for a short time at the Royal Academy, and became an A.R.A. in 1888. Among his well-known pictures are "Prometheus Bound," and "Orpheus Deserted by Persons," and among the famous men who have sat to him for their portraits may be mentioned Darwin and Holman Hunt. Sir William has written a good deal, and is a convinced disciple of the simple life.

An official at the picture gallery at Toulouse has been much perplexed recently by a number of mysterious scratches and cuts on several of the paintings, notably on a valuable J. P. Laurens, for which he was at a loss to account. After several nights' vigil he has discovered that the culprits were human beings, but, the "Tribune" says, merely persons who had a liking for paintings as food. Their particular fancy for Laurens's picture was due, it seems, to the presence of white lead in the colours.

Mr. CHARLES WYNDHAM, in a letter to a morning paper, says he is sorry he went to Paris recently. "There are so many risks one has to encounter in the delightful city," Sir Charles explains. As he was standing outside the Theatre Francais a gentleman accosted him, and in the talk that followed Sir Charles expressed certain views about the English stage. But he had no idea he was being "interviewed" by the representative of a Paris paper. It appeared, however; and, worse than all, the journal sent a cutting to him opinions he had never expressed. Sir Charles concludes: "Perhaps I was foolish, but I always gets so innocent when one goes to

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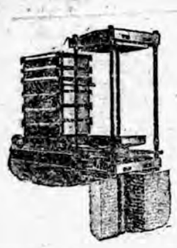

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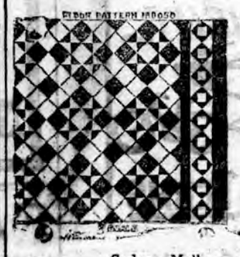

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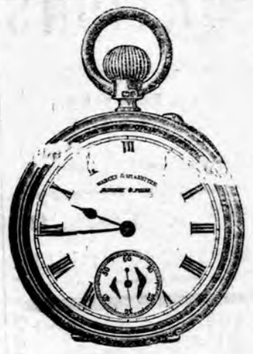

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